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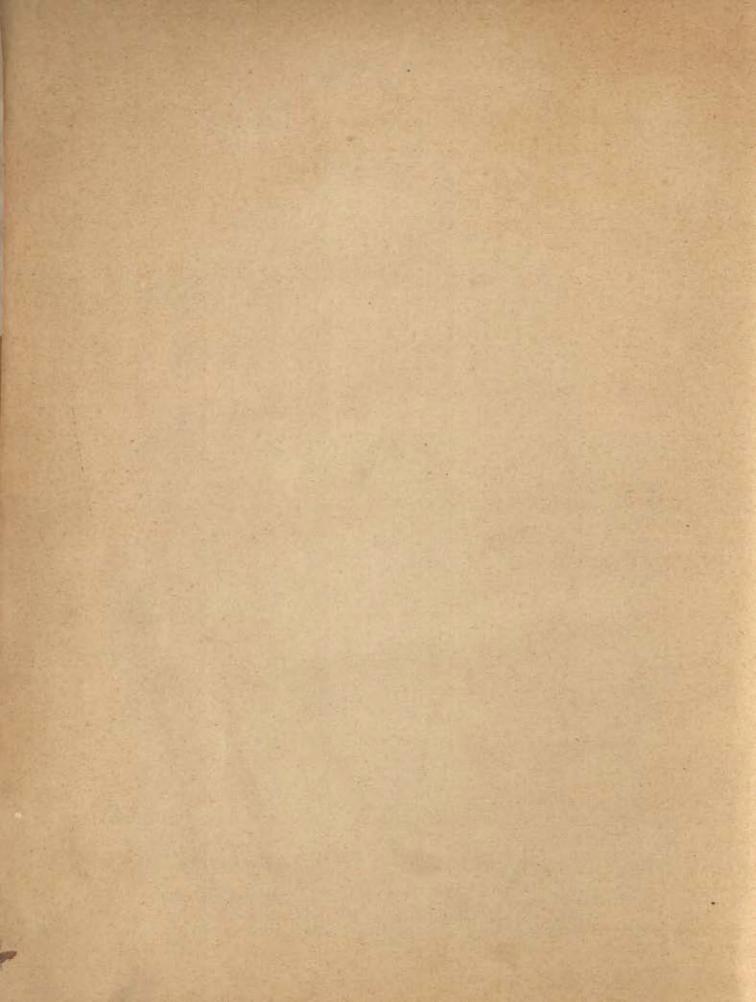
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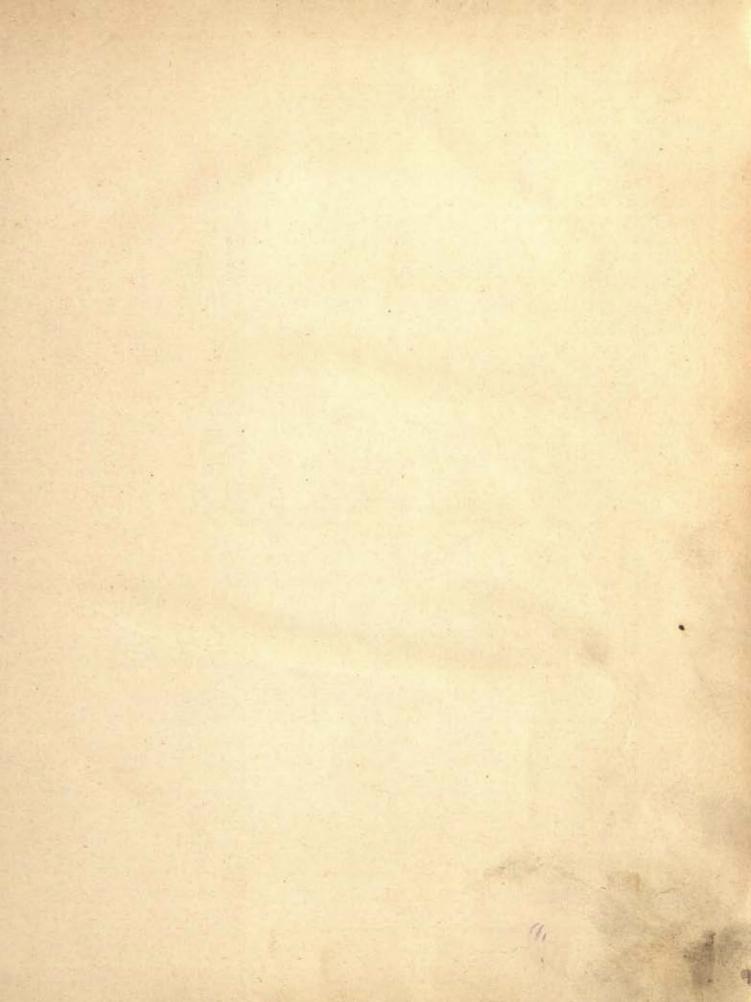
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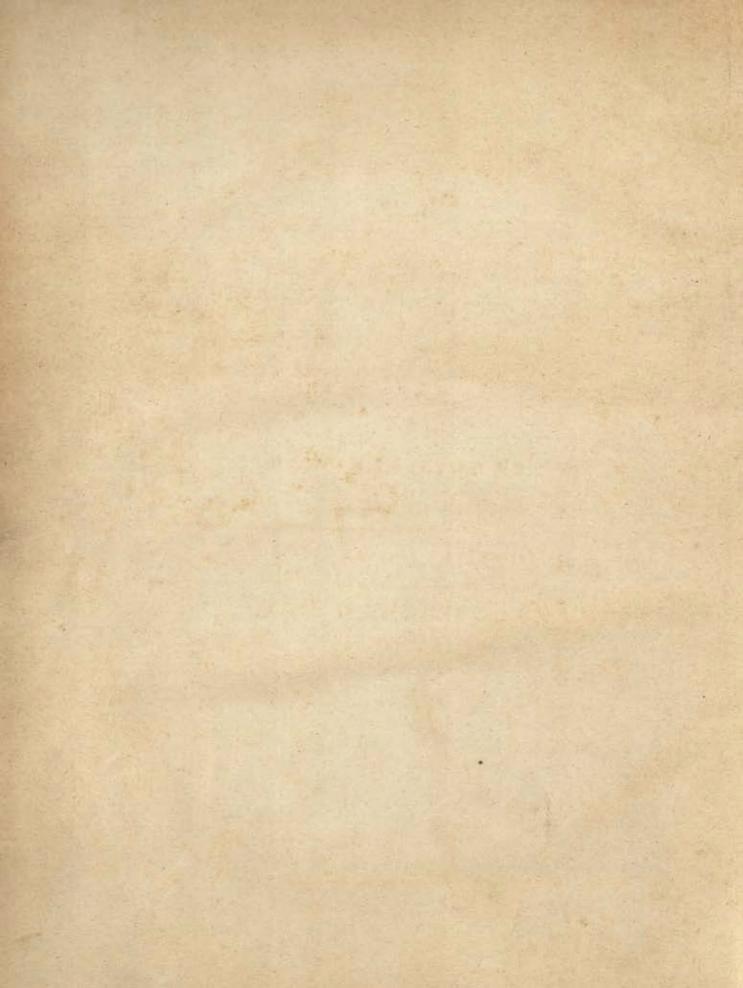
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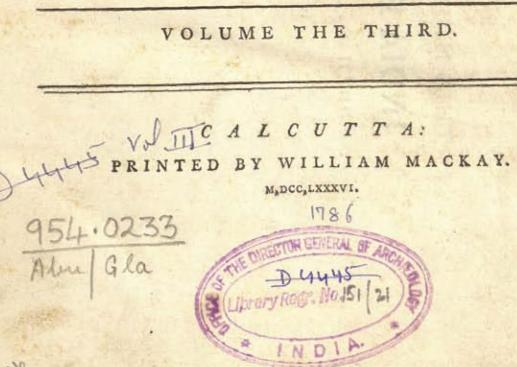
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INTRODUCTION.

I HAD long fet my heart upon writing something of the HISTORY of HINDOSTAN, together with an account of the religious opinions of the HINDOOS. I know not if my anxiety herein proceeds from the love of my native country, or whether I am impelled by the desire of searching after truth, and relating matter of fact.

At first my head was filled with the idle tales of Benagutty, Hasez Abroo, and other ancient authors; who have written stories of things that never existed but in their own imaginations. But at length becoming sensible of the ignorance of mankind, and of their evil disposition towards one another, I resolved to endeavour to establish peace and amity. However

However, multiplicity of business occasioned delay, until I undertook to write this work, which has run out to great length; and having finished the HISTORY of the SOOBAHS, (including a good part of the History of Hindostan) I thought this a fit time for carrying into execution my long concealed intention.

Before this period, I had acquired some know-ledge of the subject, but deeming that insufficient, I had again recourse to those who were capable of instructing me, and renewed my former studies.—

From my ignorance of the signification of Hindoo-Terms, and the want of an able interpreter, my refearches became painful; as I was obliged to make repeated enquiries after the same thing. At length, by the will of heaven, unremitted assiduity has obtained the object of my wishes.

It has now come to light, that the general received opinion of the HINDOOS, being POLYTHEISTS, has no foundation in truth; for although their tenets admit

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admit positions that are difficult to be defended, yet that they are worshippers of God, and ONLY ONE.

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In order to establish what I have here advanced, I shall set forth the various faiths and ceremonies of this immense multitude, that the necessary proofs may be found collected together, and strife and animosity be thereby moderated.

ALTHOUGH there have never been wanting in the world men of upright and honest intentions, yet from the following causes there have always been dissensions regarding this religion.

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THE difference of language, which has prevented the Hindoos, and those of other nations from comprehending the meaning of each other, and occafioned much strife.

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THE remoteness of situation, which has prevented the Hindoos from having any intercourse with the learned of other countries.

OR if it happened that one of each met together, no communication of ideas could be effected; for want of an intermediate person, it being very difficult to find an interpreter so well acquainted with the depths of science and the various philosophical doctrines, as to be able to explain himself thereon in a fatisfactory manner. Even now, notwithstanding his Majesty has taken such pains to assemble the learned of all nations, who aid and assist each other in their researches after truth, the inconvenience still remains unremedied. Where then is a person to be found possessed of the qualifications requisite for this task?

SUPPOSING the throne to be filled by a monarch refembling Noorsheervan, who amidst the splendor

fplendor of royalty fought after the jewel of wifdom, still there is required a Vizier like BUZERCHE-MEHR, who divefting himfelf of envy, found out Pooz-RUYAH the philosopher, and fent him into Hindostan under the difguise of a merchant; and he, as industrious when absent as if he had been present, did after various refearches and laborious investigations acquire possession of the stores of knowledge.

OR a talk like this demands an indefatigable perfon like Tumtum the Indian, who in order to study under PLATO, travelled from Hindostan into Greece, regardless of the dangers of the seas and desarts; and having obtained the grand Panacea, regulated the temperament of the mind as well as that of the telling villed the year all and toler and body. a principal by the large of

OR a man fuch as ABUL MAASHAR of BALKH, who becoming enamoured of knowledge, preferred a foreign foil to his native country, and relinquishing ease for toil, travelled from Khorasan into Hindostan, and acquired a variety of knowledge at Benaris,

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and carried back rare presents to the studious of his own country.

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The subjection of mankind to their corporeal senses, insomuch that they will not allow any thing to exist, which they themselves have not felt; and are so governed by prejudice, that they will not listen to the relation of any thing foreign, even though it should be told as a sable calculated for mere amusement. When this is the case, what judgement can they form?

FOURTH.

The indolence of mankind, which induces them to prefer the little they actually possess to the prospect of increasing it by the fatigues of commerce, which inclines them to adopt ease and reject labour, and to forego the pains required in searching after knowledge; contenting themselves with disputes about appearances only, regardless how far they are confonant with truth and reality.

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THE habit of imitation, which people of all nations fall into, without asking why or wherefore. Whatever they have received from their father, tutor, acquaintance or neighbour, they consider as the rule of conduct most acceptable to the Deity, and stamp those who differ from them with the name of INFIDEL OF ZENDEK.

SIZTH.

The referve which prevents a candid communication between persons of different persuasions, and to this it is owing that no instance can be produced of two or three persons meeting for the purpose of discussing the tenets of their respective creeds, and of ascertaining the principles on which they are founded. If this communication had taken place among men of descring and candour, a rule of conduct might ere this have been fixed, by the upright decisions of impartial justice.

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EVEN Monarchs deeming the investigation unimportant, have either treated it with indifference, or actuated by the pride and felf-conceit of fectaries, have prohibited free discussion and enquiry. A regard for felf-prefervation, therefore, induces men either to be filent; or to express themselves in obfcure language; or compels them to conform to the temper of the times. But if Princes had evinced a disposition to promote the fearch after truth, many illustrious men, having no grounds for fear or apprehension, would have published to the world, with freedom, their fentiments and opinions. The monarch's example is a law to all; and thus every fect becomes infatuated with its particular doctrines: animofity and diffension prevail, and each man deeming the tenets of his fect to be the dictates of truth itself, aims at the destruction of all others, vilifies reputation, flains the earth with blood, and has the vanity to imagine he is performing meritorious actions. If the voice of reason was attended to, mankind would be fensible of their error, and lament the weakness which misled them to interfere in the concerns

concerns of each other. Persecution, after all, defeats its own ends; it obliges men to conceal their opinions, but produces no change in them.

SEVENTH.

THE fuccess which too often attends the wicked and ill disposed, from the facility with which the professions of virtue and rectitude gain belief. Hence a variety of evils are derived, and truth lies buried under a load of errors. Enough, Abul Fazel, enough: the various forms of divine vengeance are inexplicable; the history of them is long and intricate; proceed to execute your original design of attempting to establish peace and unanimity.

ALTHOUGH fome will be disturbed with the information they receive, others will embrace it with fatisfaction.

THANKS be unto God, who hath no equal, I am neither of the number of those who are ready to condemn the ignorant, nor averse to praise those who know better.

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DESCRIPTION

HINDOSTAN.

INDOSTAN is washed by the ocean on the east, the west and the south; to the eastward lies Malacca, together with Sumatra, the Moluccas and many other islands. On the north are high mountains, part of which forms the boundary of Hindostan on that quarter, and the rest belong to Turan and Iran. Beyond these mountains, as

far as Chinese-Tartary, are several sertile territories, particularly Cashmeer, the two Tibbets, and Kushtwar. The north side of Hindostan is plentifully supplied with rivers, so that it may be said to have water on all quarters.

The whole extent of this vaft empire is unequalled for the excellency of its waters, falubrity of air, mildness of climate, and the temperate constitutions of the natives. Every part is cultivated and full of inhabitants, so that you cannot travel the distance of a cose without seeing towns, and villages, and meeting with good water. Even in the depth of winter, the earth and trees are covered with verdure: and in the rainy season, which in many parts of Hindostan commences in June, and continues till September, the air is so delightfully pleasant, that it gives youthful vigour to old age.

SUMMARILY, the Hindoos are religious, affable, courteous to strangers, chearful, enamoured of knowledge, fond of inflicting austerities upon themselves, lovers of justice, given to retirement, able in business, grateful, admirers of truth, and of unbounded sidelity in all their dealings. Their character shines brightest in adversity. Their soldiers know not what it is to sly from the sield of battle; but when the success of the combat becomes doubtful, they dismount from their horses, and throw away their lives in payment of the debt of valour. Frequently they hamstring their horses, to deprive themselves

of the means of flight, and thus rendered desperate, soon bring the battle to a successful issue. They have great respect for their tutors; and make no account of their lives, when they can devote them to the service of God.

THEY one and all believe in the UNITY of the GODHEAD; and although they hold images in high veneration, yet they are by no means idolaters, as the ignorant suppose. I have myself frequently discoursed upon the subject with many learned and upright men of this religion, and comprehend their doctrine, which is, that the images are only representations of celestial beings, to whom they turn themselves whilst at prayer, to prevent their thoughts from wandering; and they think it an indispensable duty to address the Deity after that manner.

In all their prayers, they implore bleffings from the fun.

THEY consider the Supreme Being to be above all labour, believing Brahma to be the creator of the world; Bishen its providence and preserver; and Roodre (who is also called Mahadeo) its destroyer.

ONE fect believes that God, who hath no equal, appeared on earth under the three above-mentioned forms, without having been thereby polluted in the smallest degree; in the same manner as the Christians speak of the Messiah.

OTHERS

OTHERS hold, that all three were only human beings, who, on account of their fanctity and righteousness, were raised to these high dignities.

WITHOUT compliment, there are to be found in this religion, men who have not their equal in any other for their godliness, and their abstinence from sensual gratifications.

THEY reckon the universe to have had no beginning; but fome of them believe that it will have an end, as will be spoken of hereafter.

IT is aftonishing, that if any man of another cast wants to become a Brahmin, he is not allowed; neither may a Brahmin change his cast.

THEY have no llaves among them.

When they go to war, or are attacked by an enemy, they put all their women together in one place, which they furround with wood, firew and oil; and forme frony-hearted men are left with them, who, when those engaged in battle have no hopes of preserving their lives, set fire to the pile, and reduce the women to thes.

Is any person in dittress ties to them for protection, although he be a tranger, they take him by the hand, and will defend him at the expence of their property, reputation, and life.

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FORMERLY it was the custom to decide the fate of battle by fingal combat; but now this method is not followed.

THE greatest part of this empire is arable land; and in some places the soil has such strength that they always cultivate the same spot, without there being any difference in the crops. In many places they have three crops of rice in a year, and in some even more. The vine bears fruit in the first year.

In Hindostan are many mines of diamonds, rubies, gold, silver, copper, lead, and iron. It abounds in odoriferous plants, and has great variety of fruit trees. They manufacture various kinds of cloths and stuffs. Their elephants are the best in the world; in many parts they breed horses equal to Arabs; and their oxen are exceedingly fine.

But they were notorious for the want of cold water; the intolerable heat of their climate; the scarcity of grapes and melons; and that they had not any manufactures of carpets; neither did they breed camels. His Majesty remedied all these evils and defects. He taught them how to cool water by the help of salt-petre, and had snow and ice brought from the northern mountains. He ordered mats to be woven of a cold odoriferous root called Khuss, of which are formed convenient apartments, and when wetted with water on the outside, those within enjoy a pleasant cool air in the height of summer. Gardeners were brought from Iran and Tu-

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ran, who cultivated the vine, and various kinds of melons. The manufactures of filk and woollen carpets, were introduced together with that of brocades; and now the breed of camels is fuch, that they excel the Arabian Bokhtu.

HAVING now spoken in a summary way of Hindostan and the Hindoos, I shall proceed to treat of some particulars in a suller manner; but still this must be considered as only a little of much, one out of a thousand.

Of the CREATION.

Or the various changes which the universe has undergone, there are no less than eighteen different opinions; but it will be sufficient to speak of three of them.

The FIRST OPINION.

Gon who hath no equal, took upon himself the form of man, who is Brihma. He by his will created four sons, Singh, Sunden, Suntoakomar and Sunnatun. And Brihma commanded those four sons to employ themselves in acts of creation. But they being strongly attached to the presence of Brihma, did not execute this command. At which Brihma was wroth, and caused another form to issue from his forehead whom he called Mahadeo. But neither was he found, fit for the tasks of creation. Then Brihma of his will created ten other sons; besides whom

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there issued from his own body two forms, one male and the other female. The name of the man is Munnoo, and of the woman Sutrooka, and these are the progenitors of the human race.

The SECOND OPINION.

GOD manifested himself under the form of a woman, who is called Mahaletchmeen. From the effence of Mahaletchmeen proceeded three attributes, the first called Sut, the second Ruj, and the third Tum. And when Mahaletchmeen willed that the world should be created, she united herself with Tum, and produced another form called Mahakalee, and who is also named Mahamya. And by joining herfelf with Sut, another form appeared called Sirfootee. After this Brihma issued from Mahaletchmeen, under the form of a man, and Sree under the form of a woman, who is also called Sawuteree. Then from Mahakalee issued Mahadeo under the form of a man, and Teeree under the form of a woman. This latter is also called Mahabedya, and likewise Kamdheen. From Sirfootee isfued Bilhen, under the form of a man, and Gowree under the form of a woman. Then Mahaletchmeen willed that the lufts of the flesh should operate. Teeree united with Brihma; Gowree with Mahadeo; and Sree with Bifhen. The conjunction of Brihma and Teeree produced an egg, which Mahadeo divided into two parts. Of one half are formed the Dewtah, Diyit, and others who are celestial beings; and of the other half are formed mankind, and all other living creatures, together with plants and inanimate bodies.

The THIRD OPINION.

AND this is the one most generally received.

In the book called Soorej Sudhant, which was compiled fome hundred thousand years fince, it is thus related.

Towards the end of the Sut Jowg, lived Mydeyit, who from the contemplation of the various parts of the universe, became filled with wonder and amazement, and in order to learn all the realities of the creation, incessantly supplicated the sun for that purpose for the space of a thousand years. After suffering great anxiety, the illuminator of heaven and earth appeared to him under a beautiful form, and asked him what was his desire. Mydeyit answering said: "draw back the veil that conceals the wonders of the stars and of the heavens; discover to me the things that are "hidden; instruct me in the divine mysteries; and bestow upon "the ignorant the light of knowledge." The celestial form replied: "Employ yourself in a certain place in worshipping me, "when quickly a form shall appear, who will instruct you regarding these things."

MYDEYIT, in the manner commanded, was praying in the appointed place near the close of the Sut Jowg, when the promised figure appeared to him. Mydeyit made enquiries from him regarding the upper and the lower regions, and other truths; and receiv-

ed fatisfactory information upon all these points. A collection was made of the questions and answers, which form the book called Soorej Sudhant. To this day all the astronomers of Hindostan rely entirely upon this book.

In this book it is faid that the creation commenced from the fun, this luminary being confidered as a representation of God .-They fay that God formed a hollow sphere of gold, composed of two parts, to which he imparted a ray of his own light, and it became the fun. The fun produced the twelve celestial figns, and the figns produced the four Bedes. Then were created the Moon, the Akafs, Air, Fire, Water, and Earth in the order here mentioned. Then from the Akass was produced the planet Jupiter; Air produced Saturn; Fire, Mars; Water, Venus; the Earth, Mercury. And from the ten human doors proceeded the other parts of the creation. By the ten doors are meant the two eyes, the two ears, the nofe, the mouth, the navel, the fore-end, the hind vent, and the aperture in the crown of the head, which, in holy men, opens at the time of their death. His Majesty has added to the above the two apertures of the breafts, increasing the number to twelve. After a length of time the human race became of four kinds, in the manner that shall hereafter be related.

ASTRONOMY.

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OF THE UPPER AND THE LOWER REGIONS.

THE Hindoo Philosophers maintain that the elements are of a circular form, and they add a fifth, to which they give the name of Akass. The Akass, they say, encompasses the universe, and pervades all nature. They do not reckon any number of heavens, but like Ptolemy in his Almegest, say that they are formed of circles.

THEY divide the Zodiac into twelve equal parts, and call each division Rass.

Signs of the ZODIAC.

	AF IT	14.4
1	Meykh,	Aries.
2	Brikh,	Taurus.
3	Mit-hun,	Gemini.
4	Kirkh,	Cancer.
5	Singh,	Leo.
6	Kunnyan,	Virgo.
7	Tola,	Libra.
8	Brilchuck,	Scorpio.
9	Dhun,	Sagittarius.
10	Mucker,	Capricornus.
11	Koomb,	Aquarius.
12	Meen,	Pifces.
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THE Persian, the Egyptian, and the Grecian philosophers say that the heavens are beings, that they are formed of a transparent substance, which is neither subject to encrease nor decrease, whose constituent particles can neither separate nor coalesce, nor are liable to decay or alteration; that they are neither pliant nor hard, that they cannot be recreated, and that they are not compounded, but simple. They possess not heat, cold, moisture, nor dryness, neither have they gravity nor levity. They have not only life, but are also endowed with reason, and are not subject to anger, or any kind of desire. The number of the heavens, according to some of these philosophers, is eight, others say nine, whilst others encrease them to eleven.

THE Hindoo Philosophers say that the fixed stars and the planets are beings, that they are formed of water, congealed like hail, and borrow their light from the sun. Some indeed affert that they derive their light from the moon, and believe each to be under the influence of a celestial spirit. Others think that the stars are the souls of men departed this life, and raised to this high dignity in reward for their virtues and austerities.

Names of the PLANETS, and Days of the WEEK.

1 Adittee,	Sunday,	The Sun.
2 Soom,	Monday,	The moon.
3 Mungul,	Tuefday,	Mars.
4 Boodh,	Wednesday,	Mercury.
5 Beerhusput	Thursday,	Jupiter.
6 Shookur,	Friday,	Venus.
7 Sheneefche	saturday,	Saturn.

EACH day of the week is named after the Planet that rules it, with the addition of war (day.) Thus Sunday, which begins their week, is called Adittwar, and Monday Soomwar, &c.

Of the Use of the GHURRYAL.

THE Ghurryal is an instrument made of Hust Joash, resembling a frying pan, only somewhat thicker, and is suspended by a string, but no one may have it rung without the royal permission. When his Majesty travels, or any of the nobility who have obtained permission, the ghurryal makes part of the equipage.

The Hindoos divide the day and night into four parts, each of which they call pehr. In many countries the pehr never exceeds nine ghurries, nor is less than six; and this ghurry is the sixtieth part of a day and night. The ghurry is divided into 60 pul, and the pul is subdivided into 60 beepul.

THE method of measuring a ghurry. They make a vessel of brass, or any other metal, 100 tanks in weight. It is in the shape of a cup, narrow downwards, and perforated at the bottom, fo as just to admit a golden pin, that weighs one mashah, and is in length the breadth of five fingers. The veffel is twelve fingers in diameter. It is put into a bason of pure water, in a place where it cannot be affected by the wind, or shaken by any accident. When the veffel is full of water, one ghurry is elapfed; and in order to give information thereof to those who are far or near, one stroke is given upon the ghurryal; for two ghurries two strokes, and so on. When a pehr is past, they first ring the number of ghurries in that pehr, flowly, and then reiterate them quicker. The Emperor Baber, in his commentaries, fays as follows; " formerly at the end of " every pehr, they rang only the number of ghurries, fo that the " pehr was not known. I commanded that in future after striking " the ghurry, they should also ring the number of the pehr."

THE Hindoos fay, that a man of a temperate habit in full health respires 360 times in the space of a ghurry, or 21600 in the course a day and night.

The Order of the ELEMENTS.

FIRST is earth, over which is placed water, but not so as to cover all parts of it; over this is fire, and over that air, but its concave is not spherical.

The Hindoos divide the air rinto eight kinds: 1. Bohoobaiy, which is the air to the distance of forty-eight cose from the surface of the earth, and it produces clouds, rain and lightning. 2. Abeh, which is the air extending from that last-mentioned to the body of the moon. 3. Pheh, that which reaches from the last-mentioned to Venus. 4. Soonneyeh, that which extends from Venus to the Sun. 5. Sobeh, that which reaches from the Sun to Mars. 6. Purrehbeh, from Mars to Jupiter. 7. Purrehbeh, from Jupiter to Saturn. 8. Purbhanib is the air which lies between Saturn and the fixed Stars, and it is the revolution of the Purbhanib from east to west that occasions day and night. The other seven winds have a diurnal motion from west to east. But the most intelligent say that these seven, also revolve from east to west; they however agree as to the height of each.

THE Akass is situated above all these, and has no limits.

THE mean motions, which the Hindoos call Mudhum, they make to differ from the Greeks, in the seconds and thirds. According to the Soorej Sedhant, which makes the day and night to commence from midnight, the following are the calculations of the mean motions.

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	Degrees.	Minutes.	Seconds.	Thirds.
The Moon, Mercury,)	13	10	34	53
Venus, {	0	59	8	10
Mars,	0	31	-26	28
Jupiter, Saturn,	0	4 2	59	9.
According to the GREEKS.			E .	4
Moon,	13	0	35	2
Venus, Sun,	0	0	0	19
Mars,	0	0	27	40-
Jupiter, Saturn,	- 0	0	0	16
Jaturn,	0	0	0	35

THE Hindoos in general maintain that the motion of the Planets is voluntary; and they confider them all to have equal velocity. Their motion, in the course of a night and day, is 11858 jow-jens and 3 cose, their progress being from west to east. Their periods differ according to the extent of their orbits. Their pathslie one above each other.

SOME of the Hindoos confider the progressive motion of the fixed stars to be the same as that of the Planets, but contrary to the Greeks, they say that the stars in the Zodiac, advance in one year 54 seconds, or one degree in the course of 66 years and 8 months.

Those

Those which are not included in the Zodiac, when they have moved from the 10th of Aries to the 27th, or according to others to the 24th degree, have a retrograde motion till they return to the 28th degree of Pisces, after which they come again to Aries; and this is invariable. The constellation of the great bear, in the Hindoovy language Supputrigh, has a precession in one year from west to east, of 17 seconds and 47 thirds, or one degree in the course of 206 years and 6 months *.

A PARTICULAR fect believe all the phenomena to depend folely upon the power of the Almighty.

[.] The author here talks, as if he was not well acquainted with this particular part of Aftronomy: the motion of 54 feconds annually, supposed by the Hindoos is a motion in Longitude common to all the Stars, except fome few that have particular motions of their own, whose causes are yet undiscovered; but the resegrade motion, he mentions, is the variation of right ascension; and this is different at different times in the same star, and likewise variable on account of the Intlinde in different flars ; but it is not true that fuch flars as are out of the Zodine have the recregrade motion he speaks of, for one are subject to it, but those that are included within a circle described about the pole of the Ecliptic, at the distance of the obliquity for that particular time; and of such stars, though the longitude may be any quantity at pleasure, the extreme points of right ascension will always be within certain limits, depending on the latitude of the star, which can never be greater than a semi-circle, but may be less than any quantity assigned: In short, if two circles be drawn through the poles of the equator to touch the flar's parallet of latitude on opposite parts, they will determine the limits of right ascension ; and if they are drawn, through two successive places of a given star, the ratio of the motion in longitude to the motion in right ascention, is also assignable : and hence it is also observable that the " Supputrigh" cannot be " Confiellation," but must be a particular star; and though it may have the velocity the author mentions, at one time, at others its motion must be different : however, it is evident that the ffar being known, its fituation is determinable from its velocity, and thence also the time when the slar had that particular situation, with other curious matters, &c. &c.

The ancient Greek Philosophers were ignorant of the progression of the fixed stars, excepting Aristotle and Hipparchus, who knew something of the precession of some of the stars near the Zodiac, but were not able to calculate the time. Ptolemy made the fixed stars to advance a degree in the space of one hundred solar years. Ebn Aalum, and some others reckoned so solar years. Nassered-deen Toussy agrees with the last; but Mohyeddeen Meghreby, at the same observatory sound that Aldebaran, the Scorpion's heart, and some other stars, advanced a degree in 66 years. In the tables of Ulugh Beg, it is made to be 70 Yedzigird years, which year is 365 days exactly.

The ORBITS of the PLANETS, according to the HINDOOS.

Josejeni. Moon, 324,000 Mercury, 1,043,207 Venus, 2,664,636 2 and a fraction. Sun, 4,331,500 and a fraction. Mars. 8,146,960 Jupiter, 11,375,764 127,658,255 1 and a fraction. A fixed Star, - 259,890,012

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The MANSIONS of the MOON.

THE Hindoos call the Moon's Mansions Nekihter, and they are 27 in number, each contain 13 degrees 20 minutes.

Manfior	ns. Number of S	tars.	Manfiant. Number of Stars.
1	Oshoonee, -	3	16 Beefhakha, 4.
2	Bhirnee,	3	17 Unnooradha, - 4
3	Kirteka,	6	18 Jeyshdha, - 3
4	Rokeenny,	5	19 Mool, 11:
5	Mirguffir,	3.	20 Poorbakahdha, - 4
6	Ardera,	1	21 Ooterakahdha, 3
7	Poonerbuss, -	4	22 Sherrown, 3
8	Powkh,	3	23 Dhunshittah, - 4
9	Ashleekha,	5	24 Shutbehkha, - 100
10	Mugha	5	25 Poorbahbhaderpud, - 2
11	Poorbapahluggonee, -	2	26 Ooterabhaderpud, - 2
12	Ooterapahluggonee, -	2	27 Rewtee, 32
13	Huft,	5	Altogether 221 Stars, which
14	Chittera,	1	the Moon passes through in the-
15	Sowatee, -	1.	course of a month.
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THE Moon never remains longer than $65\frac{1}{2}$ ghurries, nor less than $54\frac{1}{4}$ ghurries, in any one Nekihter.

FOR some particular purposes, 3 degrees and 20 minutes of the 21st Nekihter to the 48th minute of the 22d Nekihter, are formed into a Mansion, and which is called Abehjit.

THE Greeks reckoned 28 Mansions, making each to contain 12 degrees 51 minutes and 26 seconds.

TABLE of the Moon's Mansions, according to the GREEKS.

Mansfions. — Namber of Stars. Magnitude 1 Shirteen, — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —								
2 Buteen, 3 5 3 Althuraiya, 6 5 4 Dubberan, 1 1 5 Huckaah, 3 0 6 Sehabeehuckaah, 4 6 7 Zoraa, 2 4 8 Nufferah, 2 4 9 Turfah, 2 4 10 Zubhah, 4 0	Manfi	ons.	-	**	Namber	f Stars.	Mag	nitudes.
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7 Zoraa, 2 4 8 Nufferah, 2 4 9 Turfah, 2 4 10 Zubhah, 4 0	5	Huckaah,	-		-	3		0
8 Nufferah, 2 4 9 Turfah, 2 4 10 Zubhah, 4 0		Schabeehuck	aah,	-	2	4		6
9 Turfah, 2 4 10 Zubhah, 4 0	7	Zoraa,	-	-	-	2		4
10 Zubhah, 4 0	8	Nufferah,	-		-	2		4
	9	Turfah,	-	-		2	-	4
77.1	10	Zubhah,	-	4	-	4		0
11 Zobera					(8)		11 Zc	berah,

Manfi	isu.	Number of Stars.	Magnitudes.
11	Zoberah,	- 2	2 & 3
12	Surfeh,	- 1	1
1,3	Awa,	- 5	3
1.4	Sumack,	- 1	1
15	Akur,	- 3	4
16	Zubana,	- 2	2
17	Ekleel,	- 3	4
18	Kulub,	- 1	2
19	Sowlek,	- 2	2
20	Naaim,	- 4	3
21	Buldeh, which is a round f	pot of the fky.	
22	Saadzabeh,	- 2	3
23	Saadbulaw,	- 2	3 & 4
24	Soaoud,	- 2 or 3	3 & 5
25	Ajyneh,	- 4	3
26	Mukudum,	- 2	2
27	Mowucker, -	2.	2
28	Rafha,	- 1	3
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	Altogeth	er - 67 Stars.	
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The MAGNITUDES of the FIXED STARS.

THE Hindoo Philosophers divide the Stars into seven Magnitudes, measuring as follows.

DIAMETERS.

Magnitudes.	Minuter.	Secon	id o	r Jowjens.	Cofe.	Dudduns.	Cubit.	Inch.
1	7	3	ог	900,239	2	700	0	0
2	6	15	or	750,199	2	1250	0	0
3	5	30	or	660,175	2	1580	0	0
4	4	0	or	480,127	3	238	2	2
5	3	0	or	360,095	. 0	678	3	13
6	2	0	OF	240,063	3	1119	1	1
7	1	0	or	120,031	3	1559	2	12

A C C O R D I N G to some of the Greeks, the Diameter of one of the largest stars, is six times that of one of the smallest degree. But herein they were greatly mistaken, it being well known to those who are acquainted with the dimensions of the stars, and their distances from each other, that a star of the 2d degree of the 1st magnitude, is six times larger than one of the 3d degree of the 2d magnitude. And Euclid, in the last proposition of the twelsth book of his Elements, says: "If the diameter of one circle be equal to the half of that of another, the lesser circle will be $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{8}$. Or if the diameter of one be only a third of the other, then will it be $\frac{1}{3}$ of $\frac{1}{3}$ or $\frac{1}{3}$ or $\frac{1}{3}$, and so on.

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THEREFORE if it be as those have conjectured, the body of a star of the first degree, will be more than six times bigger than a star of the sixth degree, so that this calculation is very wide of the truth.

THE largest stars which have been observed, are, according tothe Greeks, two hundred and twenty-two times as big as the earth; and the smallest, twenty-three times as big as the earth. The fixed stars are so numerous, that they have not all been numbered; but: 1022 have been observed.

Magnitude.				Number.
1	-		-	15
2	_	- 4		45
3		-	-	208.
4	-	-	-	474
- 5	-			49

BESIDES 14 whose degrees have not been ascertained; five of which are dim, and nine almost dark. This is taken from Ptolomy.

BUT according to Abdalrahman Ben Omar al Soofee, they are as follows:

Magnitude.

among

Ma	gnita	de.	A1 ,				Number.
	2		-	-	- 100	-	37
	3		-	-	100	-	200
	4	41	T lot	-	-NE-	-	421
and a	5		_		-	-	267
	6		_	-		_	70

BESIDES four dim stars.

Of the DEEPS OF ISLANDS.

THE Hindoo philosophers say, that the terrestrial globe contains seven deeps or islands, encompassed by seven seas. The whole land and water measuring 7,957,752 jowjens.

THE island of Jummoodeep is encompassed by the ocean. It is the habitation of the human race, and the greatest part of the brute creation. Half of the ocean they consider as belonging to Jummoodeep. The breadth of the ocean is 130 jowjens, and of the land 1265 jowjens, including 65 jowjens of water. The superficial contents of this island, including the water, is 3.978,875 jowjens, of which 417,360 jowjens are water, and the rest land. They say also, that in the centre of this deep is a golden mountain of a cylindrical form. That part of the mountain which appears above the surface of Jummoodeep, and which measures 84,000 jowjens, they call Sommeir; and they believe that the different degrees of Paradise are on the sides and summit of this mountain. This is the account given by those who believe in sables; but the learned

among them believe with the Greeks, that the highest mountain does not exceed 2\frac{1}{3} Pharfangs. The Hindoos believe, that it defeends as far beneath as it rifes above the surface of the earth. The lower part they call Budwanel, and tell strange stories concerning it.

SHAKDEEP; one fide of which is bounded by half of the ocean. It measures, including its sea, 427,424 jowjens. Beyond this deep is a sea of milk, the contents of which is 810,097 jowjens.

Shalmuldeep measures 320,120 jowjens. The sea which lies next beyond it is of milk-curds, and measures 633,553 jowjens.

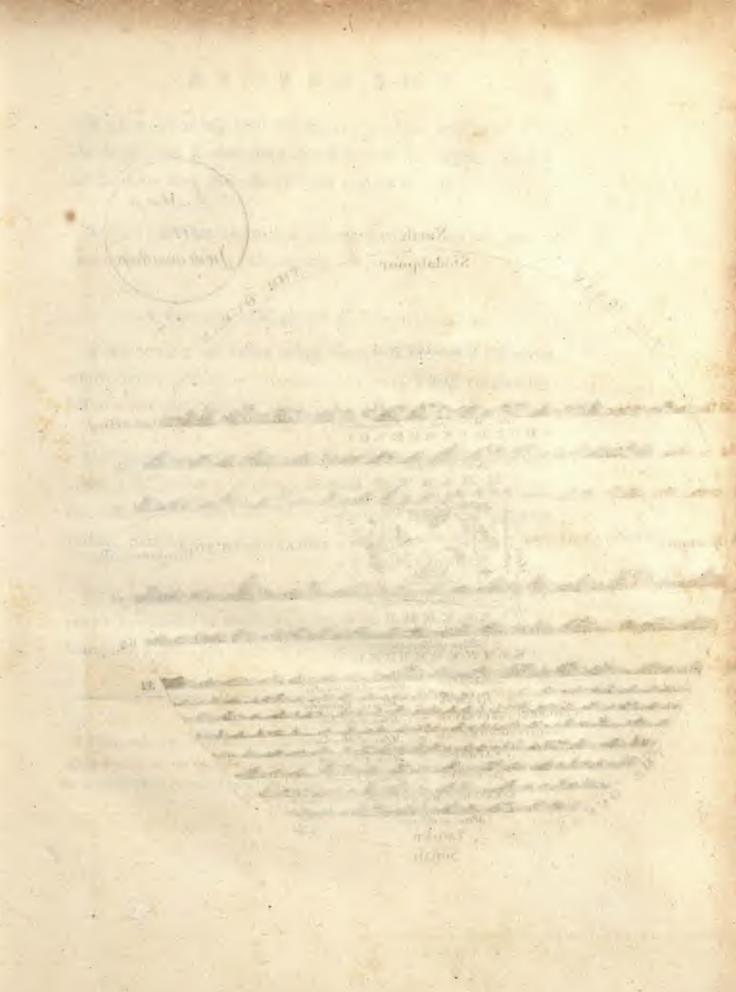
KUSHEDEEP measures 286,749 jowjens. The sea that lies beyond it is of ghee, and measures 459,792 jowjens.

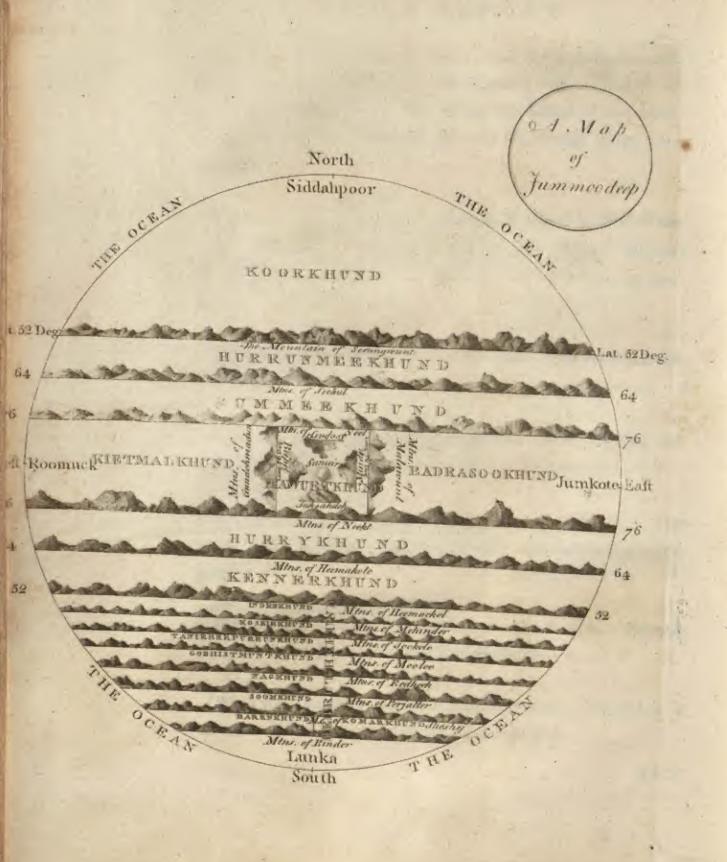
KAROWNCHEHDEEP measures 181,684 jowjens. The fea beyond it is of the juice of sugar-cane, and measures 250,504 jowjens.

GOOMIEDUCKDEEP measures 86,580 jowjens. Beyond it lies the sea of wine, measuring 81,648 jowjens.

PHOWKERDEEP measures 14,204 jowjens. Beyond it is the river of fresh water, measuring 28,160 jowjens.

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EACH sea measures in breadth 103 jowjens, and each of the islands, beyond Jummoodeep, are in breadth 70 jowjens. In these last fix deeps they place the different degrees of hell.

THEY fay that the earth is not inhabited beyond the 52d degree of latitude, being 728 jowjens.

A Particular Description of JUMMOODEEP.

A NUMBER of fables being related of the other fix deeps, which cannot possibly be reconciled to reason, I shall confine my-felf to a sew particulars concerning Jummoodeep.

On the four quarters of the earth, at the extremities of the equinoctial lines, where it is bounded by the ocean, they place four cities encompassed with walls, built of bricks of gold, viz. Jumkote,. Lunka, Siddahpore and Roomuck.

JUMKOTE is that from whence they begin to reckon the earth's longitude, in the same manner as the Greeks begin from Gungdudj; but I am ignorant for what reason they do so *.

THESE four places are lituated at the distance of 90 degrees from each other; those that are opposite to each other being distant 180 degrees.

THE mountain of Sommeir is centrical to the four, being go degrees from each.

The north fides of these four cities lies under the Equator, which in the Hindovee language is called Nickwutbirt. This is an arch which passes over the zenith of the inhabitants of those four cities, and the sun, twice in the year, culminates in this point; and the day and night throughout the year are nearly equal. The sun's greatest altitude is 90 degrees. He goes from Lunka to Roomuck, from thence to Siddahpore, then to Jumkote, and returns to Lunka. When the sun is on the meridian at Jumkote, he begins to rise at Lunka, sets at Siddahpore, and it is midnight at Roomuck; and so on. There being 15 ghurries distance between each of those cities.

In the northern direction from Lunka to Sommeir, are three mountains, Heemachel *, Heemakote, and Nekh, and each of these mountains extend to the ocean on the east, and on the well.

Heemachel feems to be the Rhymmicis mountains, &c. of Ptolomy: Heemakote feems
to be part of the Imaus and the Emodi mountains; and Nekh the Deenis, &c. of Ptolomy. B.

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In the direction from Siddahpore to Sommeir are three other mountains, Sirungwunt, Sokul, and Neel.

BETWEEN Jumkote and Sommeir is a mountain called Malwunt, which unites with Nekh and Neel.

THERE is also a mountain between Roomuck and Sommeir, called Gundahmadun, and which likewise unites with Nekh and Neel.

MANY wonderful stories are told of these mountains, too long to be contained in this volume. But something shall be said of what lays between Lunka and Heemachel; which tract is called Behrutkhund.

BEHRUT was a great monarch, and gave name to this country. From Lanka to Heemachel, being 52 degrees, is inhabited, but to the 48th degree, more fo than the last four, on account of the extreme coldness of the climate beyond this degree.

ACCORDING to the belief of these people, one celestial degree is equal to fourteen jowjens, by which rule of calculation these 52 degrees make 728 jowjens; the latitudinal extent of the habitable world.

THE tract between Heemachel and Heemakote, comprising 12 degrees of latitude, they call Kinnerkhund.

THE tract between Heemakote and Nekh, comprising 12 degrees, they call Hurrykhund.

THE tract between Siddahpore and Serungwunt, comprising 52 degrees of latitude, they call Koorkhund.

THE tract between Serungwunt and Sookul, comprising 12 degrees of latitude, they call Hurrunmeekhund. And the whole of this country is of gold.

THE tract between Sookul and Neel, comprising 12 degrees of latitude, they call Rummeekhund.

THE tract between Jumkote and Malwunt, comprising 76 degrees of longitude, they call Budrasookhund.

THE tract between Gundahmadun and Roomuck, comprising 76 degrees of longitude, they call Kietmal.

THE tract bounded by Malwunt, Gundahmadun, Nekh and Neel, each fide measuring 14 degrees from Sommeir, they call Illawurtkhund.

THE square measurement of each of these nine Khunds are equal, although some are narrower than others.

Four other mountains furround Sommeir, viz. Mindu on the east, Suhgundah on the fouth, Beepul on the west, Soopars on the north. The height of each is 18,000 jowjens.

HAVING spoken of the nine divisions of Jummoodeep, something more shall be said of the first, or Bherutkhund.

BETWEEN Lunka to Heemachel, they place seven ranges of mountains, extending from east to west, but smaller than those already described. The names of these mountains are Mehinder, Sookole, Moolee, Redheck, Perjatter, Sheshej, and Binder.

THE tract between Lunka and Mehinder, they call Indrekhund. What lies between Mehinder and Sookole, is Kooseirkhund. Sookole and Moolee, include Tanieberpurrunkhund. The country between Moolee and Redheck, is Gobhistmuntkhund. Between Redheck and Perjatter, is Nagkhund. Between Perjatter and Shesshej, lies Soomkhund. The country between Sheshej and Binder they divide into two equal parts, the eastern called Komarkhund, and the western Barenkhund.

Other DIVISIONS.

THE Hindoos also divide the world into three regions. The uppermost region they call Soorglogue, and believe it to be a place where men receive the reward of their good actions in this world. The middle region is Bhologue, being the part inhabited by man-Vol. III.

kind. The inferior region they call Patall, and make it to be the place of punishment, for bad actions in this life.

THE learned among them fay, that the universe is made up of superficies, which they divide into sourceen regions.

THE SEVEN SUPERIOR REGIONS. 1. Bhoologue, 2. Bhowurlogue, 3. Songlogue, 4. Mahrlogue, 5. Junnoologue, 6. Tuppoologue, 7. Sutlogue.

THE SEVEN INFERIOR. 1. Atul, 2. Bitul, 3. Sootul, 4. Tullatul, 5. Mehatul, 6. Refatul, 7. Pattall.

WONDERFUL fables are told of the inhabitants of each region, too long for infertion here.

They also divide the world into seven seas and seven islands. Of Jummoodeep they all give nine subdivisions, but differ very much in their arrangement and extent, insomuch that some increase the height of the mountain Sommeir to 84,000 jowjens, and the breadth to 16,000 jowjens. It is the general belief that this mountain descends as far below the surface of the earth, as it rises above it.

THEY in general believe Behrutkhund to be the only part of Jummoodeep, that is inhabited by the human race. But some fay, that beyond beyond the ocean, there is a land of gold inhabited by mortals, who invariably live to the age of one thousand years, and never suffer sickness nor forrow, neither are they subject to fear, avarice, or ignorance. They never speak ill of, nor envy any one, and they are all men of integrity and truth, affectionately attached to, and striving to prevent the wishes of one another. They know not old age, but continue in the vigour of youth all their lives. They are all of one religion. Many other wonderful stories are told of this island, to which those who judge from common appearances refuse to listen, but they who worship God, and know his Almighty Power, are not associated at the relation.

The y also divide Koomarkhund into two parts. The first, where the Antelope is not to be found, they call Muleetchdeys, and consider it as a place not fit to be inhabited. The part where the Antelope lives, is called Jugdeys. This they again subdivide into four parts. 1. Arjawurt, bounded on the east and west by the ocean, and on the north and south by a long chain of mountains of Hindostan. 2. Mudehdeys, bounded on the east by Allahabad, on the west by the river Benassa, (at the distance of 25 cose from Tahnesir,) and on the north and south by the above-mentioned mountains.

3. Berehmehrekdeys contains the following places: 1. Tahnesir, and its dependencies, Beerat, Cumpalah, Mehtrah, and Kenoje, 4. Brihmawurt lies between the rivers Sirsooty and Roodrakussy,

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION of the EARTH.

SOME of the Hindoos believe the earth to be spherical, and that its centre is the centre of the universe; and they say that all inequalities of its surface, occasioned by accidental violence of winds or waters, are so inconsiderable as not to make any material alteration in its form. They reckon the circumference of the earth 5059 jowjens, 2 cose, and 1154 dunds.

THE ancient Greeks computed the circumference of the earth to be 8000 pharfangs, and the diameter 2545 pharfangs. The modern Greeks make the circumference 6700 pharfangs and a fraction. In both calculations the pharfang is reckoned to be three miles.

The Hindoo Proportion between the Diameter, and the Circumference of a Circle.

THE diameter being multiplied by 3927, the product is to be divided by 1250, when the quotient will be the circumference of the circle. To find the diameter of any given circle, they multiply the circumference by 1250, and divide the product by 3927; when the quotient will be the diameter.

Hindoo Terms.

Circumference,	Chucker.	Divifor,	Bhag.
Diameter,	Beeyass.	Quotient,	Lubdeh.
Multiplier,	Goont.		Тне

THE Hindoos are not ignorant of the rule, which has been handed down among the Greeks from Archimedes; which is, that the circumference is to the diameter as seven to twenty-two, or about thrice the diameter and one-seventh. They multiply any given diameter by twenty-two, and dividing the product by seven, the quotient is the circumference. And in order to learn the diameter, they multiply the circumference by seven, and dividing the product by twenty-two, the quotient is the diameter. But in sact, the fraction is somewhat less than ; being nearer to ;.

It is evident that the Greeks were ignorant of the Hindoo rule, for if they had possessed it, they would not have failed to have mentioned it. It is wonderful that these should be the only people, acquainted with the exact proportion, between the diameter and the circumference.

WHAT is faid above, is confined to the measurement of lines. The earth is measured after the following manner.

On an even spot of ground, they take the elevation of the north pole, and then go either north or south, till they have raised or depressed the pole one degree by the Astrolabe, or some such instrument; and the distance measured between the two stations is the length of a degree. By this method they calculate the circumserence of the earth. The ancient Greeks, by this operation, reckoned the degree to be twenty-two pharsangs and two tisswas, or 66, miles.

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AT the command of the Khalif Mamoon, the plains of Senjar were chosen for the purpose of measuring a degree. Khaled Ben Abdulmullick Mazoory, with some other learned men went towards the north, and Aly Ben Isla Astrolaby, with some others, went fouthward. Those who went to the north, found the degree longer than those who went to the fouth; for when they measured their respective distances, those who had gone to the north found it 181 pharfangs, or 56t miles, and the fouthern observers had tof a mile less than that fum *. Mamoon, by way of experiment, required to be informed, by both parties, the diflance between Mecca and Baghdad, and they agreed in computing it to be twelve degrees forty-four minutes. The degree of 56f miles, multiplied by 12 degrees 44 minutes, makes about 720 cose +. Asterwards Mamoon caused an actual measurement to be made upon the flraightest and nearest road between those two cities, when the difference between the computed and the measured distance, was found to be but very inconsiderable.

It is furprizing that the accurate Nassereddeen Toussee, in his Tuzkerah, should ascribe to the ancient philosophers this measurement of a degree of the meridian, which was made in the reign of Mamoon. And on the contrary, Koteb-eddeen Shirazy, in his To-

[•] From the foheroidity of the earth the degrees ought to increase towards the north; but this difference is much greater than it ought to be according to theory. B.

⁺ As the true length of a degree is between 69 and 70 miles, and there is no reason to believe that the measures could not be far wrong, it follows that we have not the proper length of their measures; for if we had, there can be little doubt but the result would agree with ours. B.

fah, and other works, gives credit to the astronomers of Mamoon's time, for what was discovered by the ancients. They are certainly both reprehensible for their inadvertency.

The Hindoo Astronomers make the degree 14 jowjens, 436 dunds, 2 cubits and 4 inches, and explain it in the same manner as the Greeks. They use also the following method for measuring a degree. On a level spot of ground, they observe the exact time of sunrise with a Sektajunter, an instrument resembling an hour glass, but which runs sixty ghurries. Then with this in their hands, they walk towards the east, and after going 84 jowjens and something more, one ghurry is elapsed, and the day is so much advanced. This distance being multiplied by 60, gives the circumsterence of the earth *.

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The moderns have often made proposals for measuring degrees of longitude, but have not yet put them in practice; the readiest method both for that, and extensive surveys seems to be employing air-balloons.

^{*} The author in this, and in some other instances, seems to have been rather desective in his description of the practices of the Hindoos. Their intent in the present case, was evidently to measure a degree of longitude in a parallel circle. The principle of the method was exactly the same as that of our modern longitude watches; and the general practice was to adjust their Sektajunter to the time of the meridian they set out from; and to go eastward till the difference of the times shewn by it, and by observation, appeared to be one ghurry. For if the instrument was exact, whatever meridian it was carried under, it would still continue to shew the time under the meridian of the first place; and if the place arrived at was one degree more to the east, the time found at that place (whether by the sun's rising or any other method) would be one ghurry more; and so in proportion: and this is what is meant by the day being if much advanced." The Hindoos must doubtless have observed the necessity of allowing for the change of declination in the time of sunrise; but according to the mode prescribed by the author, it would be requisite to restrict the time of making the experiment to that of the solstice.

Of the EARTH'S LONGITUDE.

This the Hindoos call Lumbun, and like the Greeks, make it to confift of 180 degrees. But they commence their reckoning from Jumkote, the eastern extremity of the earth, according to their fystem. They believe the sun's motion to be the cause of day and night, and suppose that he rises in their neighbourhood.

THE Greeks commence their reckoning of the longitude from the Khalidat*, which are fix islands in the Western Ocean, which in ancient times were inhabited, but now they are inundated †. On

On account of the affinity of the subjects, it will not be improper to subjoin an explication of a passage in the first volume, which at present seems very obscure—it is at page 328, where it is afferted that the day is compated in Resmuck from sunset to sunset; in Delbi and Lunka from midnight to midnight, and in Jumbots from sunsite to sunsite. The obvious sense is totally different from the true, which implies that at the time when it is midnight at Lunka and Delbi, it is sunset at Resmuck, and sunsite at Jumbots; from hence a very curious and useful conclusion follows; namely, that Lunka is not the Island of Ceylon, as is generally supposed; but a place determined by the intersection of the equator and the meridian of Delhi; which answers to the southern extremity of the Maldivy Islands. Indeed there are many reasons for concluding Lunka to have been a part of the Taprobane of the ancients, and that Taprobane (or more properly Tapoben, which in Shanserit signifies the wilderness of prayer) was a very large island, including the whole, or greatest part of the Maldivy islands; which may have since been destroyed by inundations. This agrees very well with Ptolomy's description; and his islands of monkeys seem to relate to those in the Ramaian,

From hence it also appears, that the Hindoo Map of Jummoodeep, is a fort of orthographic projection of the northern hemisphere upon the plane of the equator; only instead of placing the parallels of latitude in concentric circles, they have done them very improperly in right lines: however there can be no dependence on this particular Map, as there are others very different. Sommeir is the north pole of the earth. B.

- . The fortunate or Canary Iflands.
- + This feems to be the Atlanta of the ancients.

account of the mildness of the climate, the beauty of their flowers, the excellence of their fruits, and the delightful verdure of the soil, navigators named these islands Khalidat or Paradises, and Saadat or Fortunate. Others make the Saadat to be twenty-sour islands situated between the Khalidat islands, and the western continent.

SOME of the Greeks commenced their longitude from the shore of the western sea, which they called Oceanous (ocean); and which is ten degrees east of the Khalidat islands. These ten degrees, according to the ancient mode of measurement, are equal to 222 pharsangs and 2 tissaws; or 1884 pharsangs, according to the modern calculation.

THEY both perfectly agree regarding the longitudinal distances of places.

THE longitude of places, is their distance from the commencement of the habitable earth; and is measured upon the equator, of which it is an arch.

The Method to discover the LONGITUDE of a Place.

At the first place, or the place whose longitude is known, obferve of a lunar eclipse, either its commencement, middle, or duration, marking the hour at which it happens: and let the same be done at the place whose longitude is required. If the hour was the same at both places, their longitude will be the same. If the ob-Vol. III. fervation happens later at the place whose longitude is sought, it is more to the eastward. And if it is earlier, the place sought is more westerly.

Four minutes of time are equal to one degree, or fifteen degrees to an hour. Or fix degrees to a ghurry.

As the Hindoo philosophers commence their reckoning of the longitude from the east, so their calculation is just the reverse of what has been given above from the Greeks.

Of the LATITUDE of the EARTH.

THE Hindoos call it Atcheh, and reckon it from Lunka to the 54th degree of latitude. This space they divide into populous territories. To 14 degrees farther, they say it is but thinly inhabited, on account of the severity of the cold; and that all beyond 66 degrees, is not habitable.

THE Greeks reckon their latitude from the equator; and as that line passes through Lunka, there is not any difference in fact, both coming to the same end.

The LATITUDE of Places.

THIS is an arch extending from the equator to the zenith of the place. In short it is the distance of the place from the equator, and is measured by the elevation of the pole.

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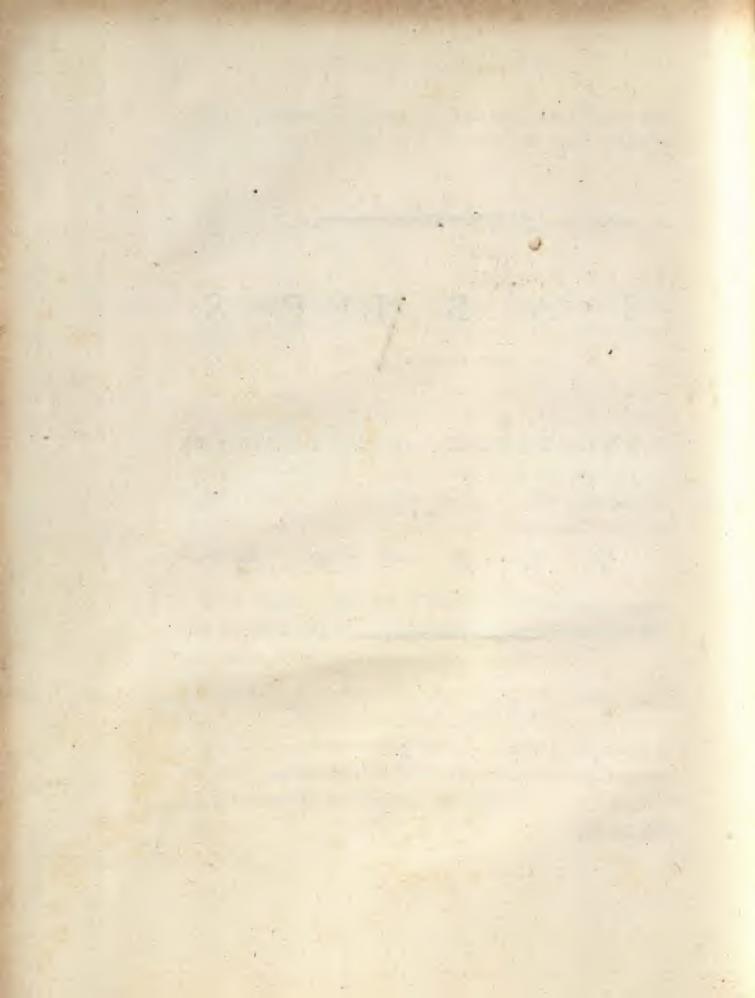
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The LONGITUDE calculated from the FORTUNATE ISLANDS.

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The Shore of the Western Ocean,	11	18	18	18
The Island of Combeleh (proba-}	21	0	3	0
The Gulph of Awanites, -	12	30	8	25
Aneh Maadin al Zheb, a city to } the fouth of the equator, - }	19	0	10	0
Kukueh, fouth of the equator,	14	11	10	0
Sekaleh, fouth of the line,	60	0	2	30
The middle of the sea of Kuzy } (the Western Ocean,) -	68	0	4	ø
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Sihrta, on the Nile,	65	0	6	0
Jermi, the capital of Ethiopia, -	65	0	9	30
رغاون Zeghaweh,	66	0	1	10
بر Hehiah,	66	0	2	0
اریلخ Nereelegh,	71	0	8	0
Mekedihoo,	72	0	2	O
الله Aden,	76	0	11	0
Berbereh, Barbary,	78	0	4	30
The Gulph of Azaneetuftoos, -	12	35	12	30
Shebam, a town of Huffenmout,	81	55	12	30
الله Merbat,	82	О	12	0
The Island of Serendeep (Ceylon,)	130	O	12	0
The Island of Secotora, -	0	0	12	0
Gebal Kamarun, (Cape Komorin) } famous for Lignum Aloes, - }	130	0	10	0
The Island of Lamery, famous وزيره الري for a wood called Bacam, (re- fembling logwood,)	135	0	9	0
The Island of Keleh,	140	11	8	0
The Island of Mahraj,	150	O	1	0
Jumkote, (in China,) -	176		5	
Sunlee,	180	.0	5	0
Gungdej, on the borders of the Eastern Ocean,	180 180	0	0	0
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The confines of the ocean, -	20	0	35	0
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Mehrah,	85	0	16	0
The Island of Zieh, in the Red	95	0	15	0
Tasend, on the coast of the In- }	-82	0	19	20
Mabir,	82	0	17	30
Kobemkokem, where there are pepper and bacam in great abundance,	120	0	15	0
Zytun, (in China,)	154	0	17	15
Sufarah, جوفاره	154	15	19	30
اندان Sindan,	155	20	19	15
خانقو Khankou,	150	0	14	0
جون Khanjoo,	162	30	14	0
Sandabel,	0	0	0	0
المان Semendan,	0	0	0	0
Allaky, fome place it in the Se-	0	0	0	0
Shekaleh, where is a bird that talks better than a parrot,	0	0	0	0
Shahnej,	0	0	-0	0
Ka-i, betwixt Oman and Huffen-	0	0	0	0
Lenjuyeh, is a large Island near Zenj, and its vines bear thrice in a year,	0	0	0	ō
Alenjeh; has a mine of emeralds,	0	0	0	0
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bl Multeh,	17 30	27 0
Durgheh,	28 4	25 4
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Tekhmyeh,	32 15	25 5
Kows,	61 30	24 35
Akhmim, -	61 30	27 15
Akfir,	61 40	24 15
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اص Infeba,	D. M. 68 o	D. M. 23 O
اسوان Ifwan,	66 15	22 30
Maaden Zemrud, the mine of emeralds; the fame place is Alenjeh in the first Climate,	66 15	21 0
Taima,	67 15	25 40
سعدن زاب Maaden Zheb,	67 35	21 15
Jisel Iyzab,	68 40	21 40
Allany،	68 40	27 15
Kefir,	69 0	27 0
فطيف Katif,	74 0	25 0
- النبغ Alinbegh,	74 0	24 0
يخج. Jehfeh,	74 0	24 0
مرينه طيد Medina Tiyebeh,	75 20	25 0
Khiber,	75 20	25 20
Jiddeh	77 10	21 0
Mecca Moazzemeh, -	77 0	21 40
ليف Taif,	77 30	21 20
و به Fera,	77 30	25 15
Funed,	78. 10	27 0
Hejir,	81 10	25 15
The Island of Tukalabus, -	68 15	27 12
The Island of Suly, ويره سولي		23 0
The extremity of the Sea of Egypt	t, 14 (30 22
Yemameh,	81 10	24 15
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The extremity of Bahrain, -	84 20	27 15
The Island of Awal,	86 15	22 0
ال The Island of Sylab, -	83 30	25 0
Hormuz,	92 0	25 0
Jereft,	93 0	27 30
Debeil, (Sind)	102 30	24 10
Teiz, on the sea coast,	83 0	24 15
Beroon,	104 30	24 15
Manfurah,	104 0	26 40
Senem Sumnat,	107 10	22 15
Ahmedabad in Gujerat, -		23 15
Nehrwaleh in Gujerat, -		23 30
Amerkote, his Majesty's birth place	,	24 40
Mendow,		22 15
Owjain,	-	22 30
Berootch, -		21 20
Kembayet, -	109 20	26 20
Kenoj,	154 50	26 35
of Kereh,	154 0	26 35
Suret,		21
Cheroj,	-	22 30
Ajmeer, -	-	24 0
ارکن Benaris,	117 20	
Mahooreh,	117 20	
ه اره Agra,		24 23
Futtehpoor,		26 41
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Gualiar,	D. M.	D. M.
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Jawenpoor,		26 36
Sonargong,		27 0
Pendewa, in Bengal		27 0
Lukhnowty, in Bengal, -		26 30
The Foot of Kalinjer, -		24 25
Ajewda,		25 50
Sheergeer,		
Meneer,		-
Ilhabass vul Allahabad, -		-
Bhilfeh,		25 0
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Khelfeh,		10 15
Penju, (capital city of China,) -	127 0	22 0
Manju,	127 0	19 0
Nerwer,	1	
Chinaputten,	813	
Heldareh, -		
Baram,	10	
Tibbet,	-	
still Tektabad,	-	-
Selameteh,	-	-
Cashmeer, -	-	-
L. Kelya,	-	-
Mulleybar, vul Malabar, -		-
Mekrukeen,	-	
Nedehmeh,	-	-
اعينيع Aiyinba,		
Baten Merel,		1-
Lie Feket,	-	
ارمنت Arment,		
Kais, -	-	
Salar,	-	
Lahfa,		-

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رفع المفتى ا	2 15 35 15
Fas, Fez,	18 15 32 0
The Island of Juna, (Madeira,)	19 15 32 15
Sejel Mafah	20 0 37 30
Merakesh, (Morocco,) -	21 15 29 15
ارسارو Tadelafitadela,	22 0 30 15
Telmefan,	24 0 33 40
of the Mediterranean sea, -	25 0 32 0
Buskereh,	32 40 30 15
الرت عليا Upper Tahart,	35 30 29 0
لفس تارت سفلي Lower Tahart,	35 30 31 30
Shetif,	37 15 31 0
Mefhileh,	38 40 30 20
Bahir,	39 15 31 15
Keirwan,	41 15 31 15
Mahadyeh,	42 15 32 30
Tunis,	42 30 35 31
The northern extremity of the } اسافل دریای مصر fea of Egypt,	40 0 30 22
- The middle of Syria, وسطياوثام	44 15 33 38
The Island of Roodus, Rhodes,	44 30 36 0
Sus Syah, Suez,	44 15 32 30
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اطراباس مغرب	Atrabolus Magreb, Tripoly in Syria,	44 15	32 30 7
' تورز	Turez,	47 30	29 30
زويابه	Zuweeleh,	49 40	30 15
قصراتمد	Kefir Ahmed,	41 25	33 30
برقه	Berkeh,	12 15	30 15
	Zelmeesha,	14 0	33 10
	The city of Sirt,		21 15
عقبهاول ديارمصر	The northern extremity of Egypt,	19 0	30 0
	Behena,		28 15
ائ ندریه	Iskenderyah, Alexandria, -	61 54	30 58
	Refheed,	62 20	31 30
	Mefr, Egypt,	63 0	30 20
ومياط	Demyat, Demiata,	63 30	31 35
قيوم	Kiyoom,	63 15	29 15
قارم	Kulzum,	64 15	28 30
	Nynes,	64 30	30 40
غره	Ghoreh,	36 10	32 40
	Areeleh,	66 15	29 15
يت المقدر ب	Beitulmekeddes, Jerufalem, -	66 30	10
رملير	Ramlah,		32 0
قيارير .	Kyfaryeh, Coefarea,		32 50
عان	Oman,		31 30
عـ قالان	Askelan, Ascalon, -	66 30	32 0
اقا	Yeaca, Acca,	66 15	32 20
	Kirk,	68 30	34 30
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Teberyali, Tiberias,	D = I	W	D	M.
Byflan,	68	1		0
Mis Afka,	68			
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Sur, Tyre,	1 0, -	30		
Syda, Sidon,	-	30		
Baalbek,	1000	15		
Demeshk, Damascus, -	70	0	33	20
Heyis,	78	20	33	0
Hulleh,	79	15	32	15
Cufah, -	79	30	31	30
Ambar,	79	30	33	15
1 Le Askera,	79	0	33	30
Berdan,	79	15	33	30
Baghdad,	80	55	33	20
Medain Kifera, one of Khofru's } مراين احري		20		
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Hajir,	1	30	111	
Babel,		55		
Naamanyeh,		20	1	
العرابير • Kyfer Hebireh, • -	-	30	100	
Jirherya, -		30	1	
برالیان Femalfeleh, - المان Nehr al Malek,		15		
Nehr al Malek,		50	4	
Jelula, هاوال	81	10	33	30
Wafit,	81	30	32	20
Holwan,	82	15	34	0
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اصره Bafrah,	D. M. 84	
Li Ebleh,	84	30 20
اليواز Ahwaz,	84	31 0
Tufter,	84 3	0 31 30
ارجان Arjan,	84 3	0 32 30
ه Alker Mekerrem, +	84 3	0 32 15
The Island of Secotora, -	84 3	0 33 0
Hafen Mahady,	84 1	5 30 15
Sinfir, on the Perfian Gulph, -	84 3	0 32 0
ان Abadan, - +	84 3	0 30 0
Ramhormez,	84 1	5 31 0
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Gazeroon, -	87	0 29 15
Shufhter, الشوث الم	86 2	0 31 30
Shapoor, -	86 5	5 30 0
Uls Oman,	67 2	0 31 0
العنان Nubendjan,	87 5	5 30 10
Jembabeh, commonly called Kenahneh	87 2	0 30 15
Aberkuh, ابرثوه		0 31 30
Firozabad,	87 3	0 31 30
ال الله Shiraz,	88	0 29 36
Seraf and Bokal Selab, -		5 29 0
Shebankareh,	79	0 28 28
Iftekher, Persepolis,	88 8	30 30 0
Yezd, -	89	0 32 0
Hifn Ebn Amarch, عن ابن عاره	95	0 30 20
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اراجر, Darajird,	D. M.	D. M.
ان Baked,		5 29 15
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Sirjan,	-	0 29 30
ال Kerman,		0 30 5
Tebs Kili,	92	
Zerend,	92 1	5 30 15
بروث بر Birdshir,	92 3	0 30 15
Jenys,	93	0 31 0
& Bum,	94	0 24 30
Tebs Mefyna,	94 1	9 33 15
Khewash,	94 4	0 33 0
Zerenj, an ancient city	97 4	0 32 30
Kutch,	99	0 28 30
ان Halik,	99	0 30 0
्राधि Khaltan,	-	0 28 30
Rezem,	-	0 33 35
Boft,		0 33 0
tile Teknyabad,		5 33 0
Rehej,		5 28 15
		5 28 15
Sirween,		
Mimend, now dependent on } Kandahar, }	81 5	5 33 0
Ghezneh,	104 2	0 33 25
Rabat Emir,	105	0 34 0
Kandahar,		0 33 0
Tehlwareh,	108 2	0 33 30
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Multan,	D. M. 106 25	D. M. 29 40
Lehawer, commonly Lahoor, -	100 20	31 50
	154 38	-
Dehly,	134 30	
Tahnifer,		30 10
جارار Shahabad,		30 12
Sembel,		28 4
Amruheh,		
Panypet, -	*	28 12
Beren,		28 48
Baghbehut, vul Baghput, -		28 39
Koal,		28 20
114, Kerdehmaleh,		31 10
Kowtkerore,		31 0
Syalkote,		33 0
Sultankote,		28 30
Jeylum,		33 15
Si, Rhotas,		33 15
The fort of Bundneh,		33 10
Pirshawur, commonly Peishore,		33 25
		32 15
Firmel,		30 30
Senam,		3- 3-
Sirhind,		
Ruper, -		
Macheewareh,		
Lt Payil, -		
Ludehyaneh,		
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الطانبور	Sultanpoor,		LJ. III.
كالنور	Kalanore,		
ورسوم الما	Deyfohch,		-
	Purserore,		
	Amnabad,		
سودره	Sudereh,		
ويغرس	Dyfeheh,		-
	Behireh,		
	Khufhab,		_
براره	Hezareh,		_
جند نوب	Jendnoob,		-
اتک بنارس	Attok Benaris, built in the reign } of his Majesty, -		
هر دوار وملكووفا عمركابير	Hirdewar, and Melku and the fort of Kelyr, ancient cities which are now thinly inhabited		
la Car	Jutawel, -		
	Keraneh,		70
	Jehnjaneh,		
	Bukher,		
بربت جربت			
	Bungish,		
	Rudraleh,		
	Nehtore,		
- L	Keytehl,		
	Rohtek,		
NE?	Jejher,		
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Al Mahem,	
Putty Hybetpoor, -	
Khyzirabad,	
Sadhoreh,	
Sefeden,	
Jenyd,	-
Jes Kernal,	-
انسي صار Hanfy Hiffar,	29 15
Saharenpoor,	
Deobun, ۲	
ILI Embaleh,	
Bhumeh,	
Hiftnawer,	-
Sunpet,	
Sinjir,	-
- Les Amat,	-
ا بريان Hedyan,	
Raah,	-
Ryafeh,	-
Munkelote, -	
Feftat, -	
Bootunj, -	
Ashmeshuteen,	
Munsceah, -	
ال Kabis, قابس	
Seyuseh,	-
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	مرص	Sirfir, -	-	1178			
		Jeerek,	-	H	-	-	
	<u>U</u> .	Beffa, -		+			
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		Uzneh, -	~	Load	-	-	
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	-	Juffee,	-	-			_
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سان		Hafen Ardesta	1,	-	2		
		Siyu, -	-		-		
		Sela.	-	-	-	-	_
		Simerem,	-				_
		Bifem, -		-	1		-
	بانان	Belnan,	*	-			_
		Belzem, -		-		,	-
	بيضا	Byza,	*	-	1-		
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. ورين. Jowseen, -	D. M. D. M.
Keneefeh,	
Jowz,	
المران Demendan,	
Subkeh,	
Salebeyeh,	
Ain al Shems, عين الشمس	
الله Ain Hareh,	
Kedwal, -	
الله الله Kuffer Taneh, الله الله الله الله الله الله الله الل	
Kuffer,	
ومرح Nejdeh,	
Kowar,	
Mirboot, -	
₹, Deha,	
Welkereh,	
Menif, Memphis,	
Murjan,	
ool Nafareh, Nazareth in Palestine,	
Meghrarreh, "	_

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Tanjah, Tangur, -	18 1	5 35 0
Kefr Abdul Kereem,		0 37 40
Kortubeh, Cordaua in Spain,	18 4	0 35 40
Ashbileh, Seville,	18 5	0 36 50
Sebteh, Xativa in Valencia, -	19 1	5 35 30
The Island of Khizra, one of the }	19 1	5 35 50
a, t Mardeh, Madrid,	20 1	5 38 15
Telyteh, Toledo,	20 4	0 35 30
bi's Ghernatch, Granada, -	21 4	0 37 30
Henan,	21	0 31 15
Almiryeh, Almera,	24 4	0 35 15
Medinah al Fireh, - الغرح	24 1	5 36 40
it Manakah, the Island of Minorca,	26	0 37 40
Maltah, the Island of Malta, -	30 1	8 38 30
The Illand of Yabeleh, Yvica,	-	5 38 30
The Island of Mabirkeh, Majorca,		38 30
Booneh,		0 38 15
The Island of Berdanceah, Corfica,	41 1	15 38 15
The Metropolis of the Illand of } فاعره جزيره صفايد Sakelbiyeh Sardinia, - }	41	38 10
Bilraghdamis,	44	10 39 10
The Illand of Nas, Nafia, -	52	10 38 10
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Canara,	55 40 36 30
The Island of Kebus, Cyprus, -	62 15 35 35
The Island of Rudes, Rhodes, -	61 40 36 15
The Island of Hemerya, Amorgo,	54 15 38 35
Sekulyah, the Island of Sicily, -	65 0 36 0
Atinyeh, Medinet ul Hukema, Athens, the city of Philosophers,	65 40 37 20
Jyroon,	66 30 35 15
Terfoos, Tarfus, -	68 40 36 50
Beirut, -	69 30 34 0
Iyas, Iffus,	69 15 36 15
Uneh,	69 15 36 50
Mefyfeh,	69 15 36 45
Birfbirt,	69 20 37 15
Atrabolus, Tripoly,	69 40 34 15
Baghras, بغراب	70 15 35 43
Bascunderych, -	70 15 36 10
Ladkych, Laodicea, -	70 40 35 15
Hems, Emessa,	70 45 34 0
Sharunkas,	71 0 35 0
Sewedveh.	71 0 36 0
Melitych, Milete,	71 0 37 0
Melitych, Milete, الطاب Shirir. Antakyah, Antioch	71 10 37 50
Antakyah, Antioch	71 26 35 40
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Sirmin,	A CONTRACTOR OF THE PERSON OF	35 15
Kennafrin,	72 0	35 30
ال Heleb, Aleppo,	72 10	35 50
Shumshat,	72 35	37 30
Hafn Manfur	72 24	34 0
Sirooj,	72 0	34 0
Membej,	72 50	36 30
ر نے Rakah, ۔	73 0	36 15
ان ا Harran,	73 15	37 50
اليقال Kalikala,	73 15	34 0
ارین Mardeen, - = -	74 15	37 50
Mya Farkeen,	74 15	38 o
Metah,	74 30	37 45
Kerkifya,	74 40	36 40
The Island of Ebn Omar, -	75 30	37 30
Carei Nasebin, Nisibis, -	75 20	37 40
Tedlis,	75 30	35 45
Sinjar,	76 o	36 o
Maretul Naaman,	71 45	35 o
Erbel, Erbela,	77 20	35 0
ik Aneh,		36 o
The city of Beled,	76 40	37 40
Moful,	76 0	34 50
Arjis, ارجيس	76 o	38 30
Hadyseh, on the Euphrates, -	77 20	36 15
Abid,		36 12
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حديث	Hadyfeh, on the Dejileh, -	1	478.5	96	
نوشه	Nowshehr,	78	20	38	10
تكريت	Tekreet,	78	25	34	0
	Samra, * - *	79	15	37	40
,	Sulmas,	79	5	37	40
	Khowey,	79	40	37	40
اروميرا	Aroomiyeh,	79	15	37	0
ار بيل ا	Arbil,	79	15	37	20
مرائر	Marend,	80	43	37	50
مشهرزور	Shehrzur,	80	20	35	30
اروينا	Ardebil,	: 80	30	37	0
اوجان	Awjan,	81	30	37	20
بخوان -	Nekhjowan,	81	15	37	49
وعرث من	Kefr Shirin,	81	40	38	45
م اغب	Maraghah,	82	0	37	20
100	Tebriz,	-82	0	37	0
ميانه	Meyaneh,	82	20	37	0
قرماب بن	Kermafin, -	83	0	34	32
وينور	Dinore,	83	0	35	0
اسران	Hamadan,		0	1	
(98)	Zenjan,		0		
سو قان	Mukan,	83	0	38	0
	Sohirwird	83	20	130	0
بهاوند	Nehawend, Hemanshehr,	83	15	34	20
بان شهر	Hemanshehr,	.84	33	37	30
رد حرد	Yezdijird, dependent on Hamadan	, 84	30	134	20
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	Langitude. Latiende.
Abher,	D. M. D. M.
	84 30 36 45
Koyem, -	84 40 37 20
Kurj,	84 45 34 0
Saweh,	85 0 36 15
Cazvin, -	85 0 37 15
Sultanyeh,	84 0 36 30
Abeh, -	85 10 34 40
Kom,	84 40 34 45
Jerbadkhan, بارخان	85 35 34 15
Will Kashan,	86 0 36 15
Demawend	86 20 36 15
8, Rei,	86 20 36 0
Kajur and Kalar,	86 15 36 25
Khowar,	
Almowt	87 10 35 40
الفان Talakan,	85 37 36 21
Husem,	85 45 36 10
	85 10 37 10
Dileman,	
بث Defht,	
الاتفان Lahjan,	36 10
Dymet, a town of Damawend,	87 20 37 10
آل Amol,	87 20 36 30
Dameghan, -	88 55 36 20
	87 20 36 40
Biyar,	89 50 35 45
U, Saree,	88 0 37 0
	Boftam,
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Bostam,	D. M. 89 30	D. M. 35 10
Afterabad,	89 35	9
برجان Jerjan,	95 0	
Foraweh,		39 0
Sebzwar,		36 15
Esfarayin,		37 15
Abgoon,	89.30	
النان Muznyan		37 0
Tershez,		35 0
Nishapoor,	92 30	36 21
الوس Toos,	92 30	34 30
Meshed Reza, -	92 33	34 29
Toon,	92 30	34 30
انوقان Nukan,	92 15	38 40
ن Kayin, ا	93 20	36 30
زوزان Zozun,	93.30	35 39
انورجان Nurjan,	94 0	37 0
Maru Shahjehan, -	97. 0	37 40
Herat,	94 20	
Serekhs, -	94 30	
Badghis,		35 20
Maru al Rud; called alfo Merghab,		36 30
Coll Malcen,		34 30
Pulheng,		37 50
Bashur,	1 -	36 0
ر زين Caznin		37 15;
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رندايقان	Rendyekan,	1	34 45
الشبورقان	Ashburkan,	105 0	37 41
	Talakan,	98 15	37 30
فارياب	Fariab,	99 0	36 45
	Balkh,	101 0	36 41
7	Bamian,	102 0	34 35
بالاورد	Helawerd,	101 0	37 30
	Balafaghun,	101 30	37 40
سمن جان		102 15	37 15
قادان	Konadyan,	102 0	37 15
د بوال	Delwaleh,	102 20	36 - 0
صغانيان	Saghanyan,	102 40	38 50
	Talaghan,	102 50	37 25
	Enderab,	103 45	36 o
	Badakhshan,	104 25	37 10
	Kabul,	104 40	34 30
	Penjhir,	104 40	35 0
	Lumghan,		34 15
100	Girdez,	105 20	36 o
	Herem,	104 20	36 o
كشمير	Cashmeer,	108 0	36 15
بلور.	Belore,	108 0	36 o
منبع نهرمهران	Membe Nehr Mehran, the fource of the River of Mehran, -	126 0	36 o
سرفين	Sireftyn,		-
حب-	Hebseh,	1	
		حران	Heran,

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حران	Heran,	-6 /	
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	Keradeh,		-
فاريان	Farhan,	FOR IN	
ملان	Malan,		
ابوخيس	Abukhis,	411)	
اودمير	Owdmyeh, -	-	
فرماسين	Kermaseen,		
	Dowarek,	7 - 1	_
ديار پائر	Diyarbekr,	-	
	Kuzneen,	05	
	Nenevy, Niniveh, -	10	
-	Pelengan,	-	
	Kyfir,	176 VI 100	
	Bejabeh,		
	Bulenseyeh, -	DA IN THE	~
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	Hemat,		
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Jowain,	-	-
Jajerem,	-	_
معرو Maru,	-	-
Kurjistan,	1	_
į√ Kerkh,	-	-
Nissa, in Servia,	-	-
Abiwerd,		
Shehriftan,	-	-110
is Alkakend,	-	
Firbir,	-	-
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Zinghaj,	-	-
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Santereen, Santillana, -	38 o	39 o
The Island Wakas, the Island of }	21 12	43 50
The city of Walced, in Sudan, -	22 50	29 20
Merkeffiah, in Ethiopia, -	28 15	43 15
The city of Salem, Salamanca in \ Spain, }	29 10	39 6
Daniah, Dania a city of Valencia,	31 30	42 30
Natleeah, Natolia, -	31 30	43 15
Sirkesteh, Saragasa, -	31 30	42 30
Tertusah, Tortosa in Castile, -	32 30	40 15
The Hland of Meerekeh, Majorca,	34 10	39 40
Hykel,	34 15	43 15
Barfeluyeh, Barcelona,	34 3	42 0
اريون Arbuna, Narbanne,	36 15	43 20
Terkuneh, Touloufe,	. 38. 0	43 0
Genuva, Genoa,	41. 0	41 20
Rabuseh, Ragusa, on the Gulph of ?	42.40	41 00
Rabuseh, Ragusa, on the Gulph of \\Venice,	43:40	41 30
The City of Tiberta, -	55 12	43 15
The Island of Nacrit, Nacaria, -	58 50	42 15
Cincing The Island of Metlena, Metelin or)	55 15	43 15
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		Longitude. D. M.	Latituda.
وسط فرنبطس	Weset Behr Bontes, the middle of } the Euxine or Black Sea, - }	55 30	
عيون القرسس	Ayun Askurus,	55 15	46 51
	Mekabez Luristanis,	36 o	43 32
	Allaya,	62 0	39 30
چور پ	Ammuryah,	64 0	43 0
	Enguryeh, the city of Areyra, -	64 40	41 15
ماقدونيا	Macdoonia, Macedonia, -	65 0	41 15
آقائه	Acca Shehr,	65 15	41 40
	Kuniyah, Iconia,	66 30	41 40
	Kyfarych, Cefarea,	67 15	40 15
اق سرای		67 45	40 15
ر اس	Siwas,	71 30	40 10
طرابون	Terabun,	73 0	43 0
	Shemshat,	73 15	40 0
مااذجر و	Malazjird,	75 15	39 30
اخلاط	Akhlat,	75 50	39 20
باب الحديد	Babal ul Hedid, Derbend near the Caspian Sea,	76 o	41 0
	Arzenjan,	78 0	39 40
ارزنالروم	Arzen al Rum,	77 0	39 40
بر دعہ	Bardaah,	83 0	40 30
شمكوره	Shemkoreh,	83 0	41 50
	Khenkereh,	83 0	38 40
	Erzendroom,	79 0	41 15
تفليس الماقة	Teflis,	83 0	43 O
بالقان	Bilkan,	83 30	39 50
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-51	Bakuyeh,	84			50
	Shamakhi,		-	-	_
رومية كرى	Rumyah Kobra, the city of Rome,	55	0	41	50
بالإيواب	Babulabwab, Derbend, -	-	0	43	0:
جزيره مساه كوه	The Island of Syah Kouh, an Island } of the Black Sea, -	89	0	43	30
بمشرخان	Heshterkhan,	1	-	-	-
اغرجه	Agherjeh,	-		-	-
	Kat,		- 1	-	36
بوكركانج	Bukerkanj,				30
جرجانيه	Jerjanyeh,		. 1		45
5/2	Kerkanj, capital of Khavarezm, -				17.
بزاراسف	Hazarasf,	4			10
زمخاشه	Zemekhsheh,				40
در قان	Derkan,		1		30.
	Bokhara,		200	0.00	10
	Pikend,	14	31	44	45
طاويس	Terawis,			100	30
	Jend,	97.	45	43	30
تخشب	Nekhsheb, called also Tekhsheb, ? Neshef and Kershy, - \$		- (0
مرقند	Summerkund,	-	1.04		0
	Ilak,				20
کش	Kash, a city of Badakbshan, -				30
	Zamin,	1000000	- 1		40
المنفياب	Esfijah, dependent upon Shash, -	99	50	43	30.
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Albaneket, a town of China,	100 30	40 0
kkojend, -	105 35	
Khowakund,	105 50	
Penket,	101 0	
Termiz,	101 15	37 15.
- (-) Akhfeket, capital of Farghana, -	101 30	42 0
ان الا Kafhan,	100 35	42 0
Li Koba,	101 50	42 50
Farghana, commonly called Andejan,	102 0	42 20
Rus, Rusta, -	102 20	43 20
Khoten,	107 0	42 0
the Chaj, is Shafh, -	109 0	42 30
Tibbet,	110 0	40 0
sib Khaju,	123 32	42 15
Sookjoo,	124 0	40 0
Tenkabas,	130 0	39 10.
Mehdy,	140 0	30 0
Nushwee,	-	-
Kefhayeneh,	-	-
Yuman,	-	
The City of Nehas, -	-	-
Cio, Rakan,	-	
Kies,	-	-
Abrook,	-	
فروس Efsus, Epbefus,	-	-
	بلط	Busteh,

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Kuya, a city of Russia,	-	-
Mukseen,	7	-
نان Khetlan,	-	-
Mekhlat, - "	- marine	-
Rum, -	0 11	-
Shamifh,		-
Shileb,		
Senterch,	2.4	
Kubreh,		-
Kustelul, possibly Castile, -		-
Surekeh,		-
Margheza, -		-
Sektefyleh,		-
Betelfus,		-
العرفالي Shehr Walid,	E TOR	
Merfyeh, probably Marfeilles, -	1	1-
انچ, Danyeh,		
Salem,		-
Sirket,		
Tookab,	2	
سرث Mushen,	1	
Sheeran, - : -		
Saweh,	-	-

THE SIXTH CLIMATE.

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	The state of the s	Helikeh,	20	0	46	0
	باوقه	Neeblookeh,	34	15	45	15
	بردال!	Berdal, Bourdeaux,	30	15	44	15
	كنبروي	Kembruyeh, Cambray, -	40	30	43	15
14	بنرقير	Bendekyeh, Venice,	42	0	44	0
	نايره	Neereh, Nice or Nizza, -	42	0	45	0
U	رسرا	Birlirshan,	50	0	45	0
	1.10	Abroo,	59	45	45	0
	بوزنطيا	Buzantyeh, Byzantium,	59	50	45	0
. 3	كسلونه	Kusslooneh,	65	30	46	20
9	سنوب	Senoob,	64	o	47	0
- *	مرقله	Herkeleh,	67	20	46	30
	اماسيه	Amafyeh,		30		
	سامبنور	Sambenoon,		20	100	
1	فيرض الرو	Ferzal Rum,		30		
		Sereenalan,		0	-	-
	بالمنتجر	Belenjer, the capital of Kherz, -		0		
	-	Kersh,		0		-
	بنقىكند	Benkykend,		30		-
	طراري	Teraz,	100	50		
	فاراب	Farab,		30		
		Balkh,	105			
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Kaba قبالخ	ligh, -	-		108	0	44	0
خالم Byfhl	oaligh,			111	0	44	45
Kara فراقوروم	curem, -			115	0	46	0
Khan خان الغ	baligh,	-		124	0	46	0
Abul ابولره	edeh, -			_	-	_	-
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THE SEVENTH CLIMATE.

	Langitude.	Latitude.
The Island of Tapana,	D. M.	D. M. 50 30
Sumbatakoo, -	39 0	49 0
فر Suffej, - • • •	48 30	
انجاران Akjeh Kerman, -	65 18	35.
Kerkez,		50 0
ki Keffa,		48 o
Selaat,		50 10
Tertoo, • •	67. 30.	
Belar, • • •		50 30
ارق Arek, • • •	105 0	
Saroy. مرای	106 0	18
اکلہ Akleh, اکلہ	108. 0	
Weset Behreh Awel Jihun, -	110 0	
اطق اطق العاق ا	110	40 0
Bejenneh, a city of Turkestan, -		
Seklab, a city of Rum,	-	
Mashekeh,	700	
Telyeh, Italy,	8.4	
Merkeleh,	7	
Git-Azek, -		+
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THE EXTENT OF THE INHABITED EARTH.

THE Greeks fay, that in the fame manner as the equinoctial line divides the earth into northern and fouthern hemifpheres, so does the circle of the natural horizon, by intersecting the equator, form two other hemispheres, making altogether four quarters, namely, the upper and the lower northern, and the upper and the lower southern quarters.

The Greeks fay, that formerly the whole of the fouthern quarter was land, but that now a great part of it is inundated, among which are the Fortunate Islands, part of Greece and other places. The Hindoos teach that the earth is not inhabited beyond the latitude of 66 deg. 29 min. 43 fec. no animal being supposed able to live at a greater distance from the equator, on account of the extreme severity of the cold. Others among them say, that a small part of the upper southern quarter, which joins to the northern quarter, is land, but not inhabited. Others maintain, that the earth is inhabited as far as ten degrees south.

But those who are better informed say, that the south is inhabited as well as the north. And but a short time ago, a very extensive island with well inhabited towns to the south of the equator was conquered by the Fringies, who have called it the New World. Some ships were driven there by contrary winds, and one of the crew having mounted his horse, the natives were so astronished at the strangeness of his appearance, that thinking the man and beast to be only one animal, they sled before him in terror and consternation, and the country became an easy conquest.

The HINDOO QUARTERS of the EARTH.

Some fay, that the Hindoo philosophers divide the earth into mine parts, viz.

THE South, Dekhan, containing Arabia.

THE North, Ootre, Turkestan.

THE East, Poorub, China and Chinese Tartary.

THE West, Putchem, Egypt and Barbary.

THE North East, Iyssa Khatai, Moghul Tartary.

THE North West, Bayib. The Turkish dominions, and Europe.

THE South West, Nyrut. Part of Egypt and Barbary, Africa and Andelusia.

THE South East, Aknew.

THE centre they call Muddehdeys.

I HAVE not seen in any Hindovy book, the geographical divifions which I have given above; neither are their learned acquainted with them.

Of NUMERATION.

THE Brahmins have only eighteen places in numeration, as follows:

Units, - - Ekhun,
10 - - Dehfhem:

100 - - Shut.

1000 - - Sehfir.

10,000 - - Jyoota.

100,000: - Luksh, vulgarly lack.

1,000,000 - - Purboot.

10,000,000 - Kote, vulgarly krore.

100,000,000 - - Arbud.

1,000,000,000 - Abuj.

10,000,000,000 - - Kehrub.

100,000,000,000 - - Nikhrub.

1,000,000,000,000 - Mahapuddum.

10,000,000,000,000 - - Sunkh,

100,000,000,000,000 - - Jeldeh.

1,000,000,000,000 - Untee.

10,000,000,000,000,000 - Mooddeh.

100,000,000,000,000 - Berardeh.

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AFTER this they say, tens of Berardehs, hundreds of Berardehs, &c.

Of the JEHATS, or QUARTERS of the WORLD.

THE Hindoo philosophers call a side or quarter Dessa, and also Deg. They reckon ten, including the upper and lower sides of the earth; and they believe that each has its particular guardian spirit; to whom they give the general appellation of Despaul.

TABLE of the QUARTERS, with their GUARDIAN SPIRITS.

Quarter.		1	Guardian Spirit.
Poorub,	East,		Indree.
Agnee,	South-East,	1 -	Augin.
Dulchen com. Dekhan,	South,	-	Jum.
Nyrut,	South-West,	4	Benyroot.
Putchim,	Weft,		Wurrun.
Baybee,	North-West,		Bayoo.
Ootre,	North,	-10	Kobeir.
Iyfance,	North-Eaft,	- 4	Tyfan.
Oordhoo,	Above,	1000	Birmha.
Adeh,	Below,	150	Nag.

Some philosophers also make a quarter of the centre between the upper and lower, the guardian spirit of which they call Roodre; so that according to this account, there are eleven quarters.

Of the HINDOOS.

ALTHOUGH it is impossible to give in this abridgment a circumstantial account of the several tribes of Hindoos, their various characters, customs and ceremonies, yet something shall be faid summarily on each subject.

IF a diligent investigator were to examine the temper and disposition of the people of each tribe, he would find every individual differing in some respect or other. Some amongst them are virtuous in the highest degree, and others carry vice to the greatest excels. But impartiality must allow that those among them who dedicate their lives to the worship of the Deity, exceed men of every other religion in piety and devotion. They are vigorous enemies and faithful friends, and when driven to despair make no account of their lives. They are renowned for wisdom, disinterested friendship, obedience to their superiors, and many other virtues. But at the same time there are among them men, whose hearts are obdurate, and void of shame, turbulent spirits; who for the merest trisse, will commit the greatest outrages.

In short, some have the disposition of angels, and others are demons.

THE Hindoo philosophers divide the human race into Charburren, or four tribes. 1, Brahmin, more commonly called Brahmin. 2, Chut2, Chuttree, vulgarly Kehteree. 3, Wiels, vulgarly Biels. 4, Shooder, vulgarly Sooder. At the creation of the world, these four tribes were produced from Brahma. The Brahmins from his mouth; the Kehteree from his arms; the Biels from his thighs; the Sooder from his feet. The other people of the world they call Mileetch, and suppose them to have been first produced from the Cow of Camdhen.

The BRAHMINS.

THESE have properly fix duties. 1, The study of the Bedes. 2, The study of other sciences. 3, To instruct others. 4, To perform the Jug, or the bestowing of charity for the sake of the Dewtahs, and exciting others to do the same. 5, Giving charity on their own account. 6, Receiving charity from others.

The KEHTEREE,

ARE enjoined the performance of three of the above-mentioned duties. 1, Study. 2, Performing the Jug. 3, Bellowing charity.

—Belides which they have ten other duties. 1, Serving Brahmins. 2, To be rulers of the earth, and receive the reward of their labour or tribute. 3, The protection of religion. 4, The exaction of fines from delinquents, and afcertaining the quantity thereof. 5, To punish every one according to his offence. 6, To a quire wealth, and spend it properly. 7, To train elephants, horses and oxen, and to instruct fervants in their respective duties. 8, To be soldiers. 9, Not to receive charity from men. 10, To reward merit.

The BIESS.

THEY also perform the three duties of the Brahmins abovementioned, to which five other offices are added. 1, Servitude. 2, Agriculture. 3, Merchandise. 4, Taking care of oxen. 5, Bearing arms.

A N D any of the offices abovementioned, for the Kehteree and Biels tribes, may also be performed by Brahmins, previous to their putting on the brahminical thread.

The SOODER.

THEY cannot perform any of the offices affigned to the other three tribes. But they may ferve them, wear their cast-off cloths, and eat any victuals they have left. They may be of any of the following professions, painters, goldsmiths, blacksmiths, carpenters, salt merchants, dealers in honey, milk, buttermilk, ghee and grain.

The MILEETCH

ARE infidels, who have not any religion, and of these they reckon Jews and Guebres.

AND they say that by the intermarriages of these sour original tribes, sixteen races of men are produced. 1, Brahmin, whose father and mother are both Brahmins. 2, Moordhawaseekut, the father

ther Brahmin and the mother Kehteree. 3, Neshad, the father Brahmin and the mother Sooder. 4, Untelut, the father Brahmin and the mother Biess. 5, Kehteree, both father and mother Kehteree. 6, Sooté, the father Kehteree and the mother Brahminee. 7, Maheys, the father Kehteree and the mother Biess. 8, Oogur, the father Kehteree and the mother Sooder. 9, Biess, both father and mother Biess. 10, Beydeah, the father Biess and the mother Brahminee. 11, Magdeh, the father Biess and the mother Kehteree. 12, Kurren, the father Biess and the mother Sooder. 13, Sooder, both father and mother Sooder. 14, Chundal, the father Sooder and the mother Brahminee. 15, Chutta, the father Sooder and the mother Kehteree. 16, I-ugoee, the father Sooder and the mother Biess.

A G A I N, by the mixture of these sixteen tribes, are produced others without number, each differing in their customs and religious worship. The distinctions, likewise, of country, profession, and rank of ancestors, form such a variety of branches, as are almost inconceivable.

The BRAHMINS,

THEMSELVES, are of four tribes according to the respective doctrine of the four Bedes, each tribe following its own particular book. They also differ in the manner of reading them. For the Rig Bede, are eight ways of reading; for the Jijer Bede, eighty-fix; for the Sam Bede, one thousand; and for the Atchrben Bede, five. And each of these readers are divided into distinct classes.

THERE are ten distinctions according to their manner of employing themselves.

1. Deo, perform the Howm for themselves but not for others. They give charity; but do not receive it.

They learn; but do not teach.

- 2. Mun. They perform not the Howm for themselves, nor for others. They receive charity, and they teach.
- 3. Devij. These observe twelve rules. 1, Perform the Howm for themselves; 2, and for others; 3, they give charity; 4, they receive charity; 5, they learn; 6, they teach; 7, they bear injuties with patience; 8, they observe temperance of every kind; 9, they inslict on themselves the severest austerities; 10, they believe solely in their respective Bede; 11, they kill not any animal; 12, they do not consider any thing as belonging to themselves.
 - 4. RAJA. Perform the same offices as the Kehteree.
 - 5. BIESS. Perform the offices of the Biefs.
 - 6. Sooder. Do whatever appears advantageous to them.
- 7. BUDALUCK. Are mendicants who receive alms from any one.

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8. Pusha.

- 8. Pusha. Are bound by no rules, and like brutes know not good from evil.
- 9. MILLEETCH are infidels; who follow the customs of the Milleetch before described.
 - 10. CHUNDAL. Are vile wretches and eat carrion.

The KEHTEREE.

Were of two original tribes. First Soorujbunsee, who are regarded as descendants of the sun in the following genealogical order. At the creation of the world, Berincheh was produced by the will of Brahma. From whom proceeded Kushup. From whom proceeded the sun. From whom proceeded Biyoorwutchmunnoo. From whom proceeded Ikebako. Then from the nose of Ikebako issued a seed, from whence commenced generation. Of this tribe, three persons were universal monarchs. 1, Rajah Sooker; 2, Rajah Kehtwang; 3, Rajah Rig.

THE fecond tribe of Kehteree are called Soombunfee or defcendants of the moon, in the following order.

FROM Brahma was produced Attree, out of whose right eye issued the moon. The moon produced Mercury, with whom generation commenced. Of this tribe two persons have been universal monarchs. 1, Rajah Jewdishter; 2, Rajah Sunnang.

THERE are now upwards of five hundred different tribes of Kehteree, fifty two of whom are in esteem, and twelve are better than the rest. But at present there are scarcely any true Kehterees to be found, excepting a few who do not follow the profession of arms.

THOSE among them who are foldiers are called Rajpoots.— There are near a thousand different tribes of Rajpoots; but I shall only mention the most famous, who are entertained in his Majesty's service.

THE RAHTORE, of whom there are several tribes, are fixty thousand cavalry, and two hundred thousand infantry.

THE CHOWHEN, of whom also there are several branches, viz. Soongera, Kehwera, Hada, and Nirya. Fifty thousand cavalry, and two hundred thousand infantry.

THE PUNWAR. Formerly this tribe was very numerous, and some of them were princes of Hindostan. At present they are twelve thousand cavalry, and sixty thousand infantry.

THE JADOWN. Fifty thousand cavalry, and two hundred thoufand infantry. The Bhatee and Jareeyeh, are branches of this tribe, as are also the Jenooheh, who are amongst the Mewat Kkanehzad.**

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THE GEHLOTE. Twenty thousand cavalry, and three hundred thousand infantry. The Seesowdyeh, and the Chundrawut, are branches of this tribe.

THE CUTCHWAHEH. Twenty thousand cavalry, and one hundred thousand infantry.

THE SOOLUNKHEE. Twenty thousand cavalry, and one hundred thousand infantry.

THE TOONOOR, of which tribe there have been some kings; ten thousand cavalry, and sive thousand infantry.

THE BIRJOOJIR. Ten thousand cavalry, and forty thousand infantry.

AND each of these tribes now carry in their hands, genealogical tables for ages back.

The BIESS and the SOODER.

THEY are also divided into branches.

IT is neither possible to describe the extent of the learning of the Hindoos, nor all the branches of their tribes.

THERE is a branch of the Biess tribe called in the Hindoveclanguage Bunnick, or more commonly Bunnyeh, or grain merchants, and of these are no less than eighty four tribes, among whom whom are mendicants, men of learning, artists, magicians, handicrasts, and such expert jugglers that their tricks pass for miracles with the vulgar, and impose even upon those who are wifer.

Of the LANGUAGES of HINDOSTAN.

ALTHOUGH there are inumerable dialects spoken in the different provinces of Hindostan, yet for the most part they have such an affinity, as to be generally comprehended. The only dialects that are merely local are those of the following places; Dehly, Bengal, Multan, Marwar, Gujerat, Nanek, Sind, Kandahar, Balootch, Telinganeh, and Cashmeer, the Mahratteh dialect, and that of the Afghans of Shal, which is a place between Sind and Cabul. To which may be added the Jargon of the Bunmannis, or wild men of the woods.

The BIRDS and BEASTS of HINDOSTAN.

AFTER this fummary description of man, the noblest animal of the creation, it may not be improper to say something of the Birds and Beasts of Hindostan.

THE BUNMANNIS, is an animal of the monkey kind. His face has a near refemblance to the human; he has no tail, and walks erect. The fkin of his body is black, and flightly covered with hair. One of these animals was brought to his Majesty from Bengal. His actions were very astonishing.

Or the following animals here are great abundance. Elephants, panthers, tygers, lions, bears, wolves, dogs of various species, monkies, syagoshes, hyenas, jackals, soxes, otters, cats white and yellow, and another kind that will sly for a short distance.

THE SARDOLE, although fmaller than the dog, preys upon the larger wild beafts.

HORSES. In consequence of the encouragement given by his Majesty, such are now bred here as equal those of Arabia and Persia.

THE RHINOCEROS, is a furprifing animal. He is almost twice as big as a buffalo, and looks like a horse in armour. His feet and hoofs resemble those of the elephant, and his tail is like the buffalo's. His forehead is armed with a horn, and his hide is so hard that an arrow will not penetrate it. Of the hide are made breast plates, targets, &c. If he meets with a horse he attacks him, and kills him with his horn.

THE ANTELOPE, has two very high horns, and is the most beautiful of the deer kind.

THE MUSK DEER, is bigger than the fox. His hair is very harsh; he is furnished with two tusks, and has two protuberances in the place of horns. This animal is very common.

THE KATASS Cow, differs but little from the common cow, excepting in the tail, which is the Katass. The people of the country where they are found, are very expert in joining the hairs of several tails, so as to make them appear of one length.

THE CIVET CAT, is also found in this country.

BIRDS.

THE SHARUKH, imitates the human voice in fuch an aftonishing manner, that if you do not see the bird, you cannot help being deceived.

THE MYNEH, is bigger than the Sharukh. The plumage is a dark brown with a little yellow under the tail. The bill and temples are also of this last colour. It speaks as well as the Sharukh.

PARROTS are red, white, green, and a variety of other colours.

THE KOYIL, resembles the Myneh, but is blacker and has red eyes, and a long tail. It is sabled to be enamoured with the rose, in the same manner as the nightingale.

THE PEPEEHEH, is smaller and slenderer than the Koyil, and the tail is shorter. This bird sings most enchantingly about the commencement of the rains, and especially during the night, when its lays cause the old wounds of lovers to bleed afresh. This bird is now also called *Peeyoo*, which in the Shanscrit language signifies beloved.

THE BARIL, has a green plumage with white claws, and red eyes, and is smaller than the pigeon. He never alights upon the ground, and when he wants to drink, he descends with a small twig in his claws, and floats himself upon the water.

THE BIYA, is about the fize of the sparrow, but yellow. He is very docile, exceedingly sagacious, and may be taught to setch and carry grains of gold, with safety. If carried a great distance from his master, he will sly to him immediately upon hearing his voice.

AND from the encouragement given by his Majesty, the animals of Turan, Iran, and Cashmeer, as well game as others, have been transplanted here in astonishing abundance.

Of WEIGHTS and MEASURES.

The following are those which were used formerly.

MEASURES.

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6 Zerrehs,) (Murreetch.
6 Murretch,		Khurdul.
3 Khurduls,	-	Mustard seed
8 Mustard seeds,		Barley corn.
4 Barley corns,	1	Rutty.
6 Rutties,	111	Masheh.
4 Mashehs,	a separa	Tank.
2 Tanks,		Kowl.
2 Kowls,	ne	Towlcheh.
2 Towlchehs,	make one	Suckut,
2 Suckuts,	mak	Pul.
2 Puls,		Palm.
2 Palms,		Unjil.
2 Unjils,	0 1 2	Manka.
2 Mankas,	100	Puristeh.
4 Puristeh,	0.51	Adhek.
4 Adheks,		Dooroon-
2 Dooroons,		Soorup.
2 Soorups,		Khary.
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JEWELLERS WEIGHTS.

20 Befwehs, Self Rutty.

24 Rutties, Self Tank.

FORMERLY they reckoned $2\frac{1}{2}$ biswehs to the barley corn; but his Majesty has fixed it at 2 biswehs or 10 barley corn to the rutty. — In order to prevent frauds, his Majesty has farther commanded that the barley corns shall be made of agate.

THE following are the weights which the Jewellers always keep ready for use. Bisweh, barley corn, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ of a rutty; 1, 2, and 3 rutties; (the last being the fourth of a tank,) 1, 2, 5, 10, and 20 tanks, and $\frac{1}{2}$ a tank. And with these they compound any weight required.

FOR the royal uses, there are also in agate from a bisweh to

BANKERS WEIGHTS.

7½ Barley corns,
8 Rutties,
12 Mashehs,

Rutty.

Masheh.
Tolecheh.

FORMERLY the rutty contained 6 barley corns.

THE following are the weights which the Bankers always keep ready for use; ½ rutty, 1 and 4 rutties; 1, 2, 4 and 6 mashelis; 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500 tolechehs.

But in the royal exchequer there are much larger weights.

OTHER ORDINARY WEIGHTS.

FORMERLY in some parts of Hindostan the seer contained 18 dams, in others 22 dams; and in the commencement of the present reign, it consisted of 28 dams. Now it is fixed at 30 dams, each dam being 5 tanks.

A L s o formerly in the fale of coral and camphor, the dam was reckoned at $5\frac{1}{2}$ tanks; but now the price of those articles has been reduced by valuing the dam at 5 tanks.

The following are the weights kept for ordinary uses, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of a seer; 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, and 40 seers or 1 mun or maund.

The LEARNING of the HINDOOS.

THE Hindoos have upwards of three hundred arts and sciences. The Author of this Work having affociated himself intimately with the learned men among them, has heard and comprehended the various doctrines of each sect and profession. It is impossible in a single volume to give a particular relation of such a variety of subjects;

jects; but for the fatisfaction of those who are uninformed, I shall sketch out the rudiments of each art and science, without offering any argument for or against them. This may prove an useful Index to some suture ingenious investigator, who wishes to compare their doctrines with those of Plato and Aristotle, the Soosies and the commentators on the sacred text; and who after having removed the prejudices which obstruct religious inquiries, will seek out for proofs, rejecting the doubts of ignorance, but at the same time exercising his reason with caution.

AMONG the Hindoos there are nine fects, eight of whom teach of the creation, and of a future flate of the divine effence and attributes; of the order of the upper and the lower regions; of the forms of worship; morality, and of political government.

THE ninth feet deny the existence of a God; and believe neither a beginning nor an end.

ALL these sects have many books, containing their respective creeds, and rules of conduct. They are generally written with an iron style, either on the leaf of the Taar, or the bark of the Tooz, in the same manner as was practised by the Greeks before the time of Aristotle. The Hindoos write from lest to right. Although they now sometimes write upon paper, yet they never use any bindings for their books, but keep them in separate leaves.

THEIR books contain sublime doctrines and valuable instructions. How shall I proceed with my subject! perplexed every moment with worldly avocations; I am unable to express myself, at the same time that I earnestly desire to be communicative. I know not if this distraction is the natural fault of my disposition, or whether it be that truth is struggling to reveal itself to me. If I was not thus embarrassed, I would arrange the Hindoo philosophy in the same manner as that of the Greeks. But I must conform to my circumstances, and the compass of my book.

NAMES of the NINE abovementioned SECTS.

1, NEYAYEK; 2, Beysheekheh; 3, Beydantee; 4, Meymansuck; 5, Sankh; 6, Patunjil; 7, Jien; 8, Boodh; 9, Nastick.

THE principles of each shall be hereafter particularised and explained.

THE Brahmins however admit only of the fix first doctrines, and call them Khutderfun, fix modes of knowledge. The three last they confider as heretical.

THE Neyayek, and the Beysheekheh agree in many points, as do the Beydantee and the Meymansuck. The Sankh and Patenjil have very inconsiderable difference.

THE SCIENCE OF NEEAIY.

Gotem the philosopher was the first who taught this science. It comprises theology, metaphysicks, mathematicks, & logick. According to this doctrine there is only one God; who is incorporeal, neither begetting nor begotten, and free from all other desects belonging to human nature; he is the creator of the universe, himself being eternal, without beginning and without end, the preserver, the true uncompounded spirit. They say that he created a body, and then entered himself into that body, which body is Brahma; and in the same manner as a human body acts from its union with the soul, so does the body of Brahma act from its relation to the deity. And they maintain that this mixture of persons 'oes not in the least desile the holiness of the Deity. This opinion nearly corresponds with the faith of the Christians; and agrees with the tenets of the divines *, excepting that the Neyayeks deny the universe to have been from eternity.

^{**}Elabisum, the diviner. The Mahommedans mean by this word the fecond feet of philofophers, who admitted a first mover of all things, and one spiritual substance detached from
every kind of matter. Guzali, in his book entitled Mocketh, says, that the philosophers of
this second seet were Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle, the inventor of logic, or the art of reasoning, and who reduced science to method. This last, continues he, has pretended to resute
Plato, Socrates, and all who went before him of that seet; but he has, nevertheless, supported many of their erroneous sentiments, although he seems in a manner to have abjured them:
for he maintains the eternity of the world, which obliges us to reject his opinions as impious,
as well as those of all the other philosophers who are called divines. We say the same thing of
those amongst the Mussulmen who would philosophise after their manner, as Alfariabi and
Ebn Sina (Alfarabius and Avicenna).

D'Herreton.

THEY believe that God fent to the people of the earth, by the hands of Brahma, a book which they call Bede, containing upwards of 100 thousand ashlogues. An ashlogue comprises four cherruns, each of which contains from eight to twenty-six atchers, and an atcher is composed of one or two letters; if it consists of two, the last letter is mute. But in the Bede, the cherrun never consists of more than 20 atchers. They also say that one of the celestial spirits named Byass divided this book into sour sections, viz. 1, Rig; 2, Jejir; 3, Sam; 4, Atchrbun. One sect maintains that Brahma had sour months, and that he delivered a section from each month.

THESE four books are effected to be of divine origin, and they believe that every Brahma who appears, delivers the same letter and word, without diminution or addition.

They say that God is the absolute efficient cause; and that the actions of men are produced by two causes; namely, by the power of God, and by the power of Brahma. They believe that every action is good or bad, as it is described in the Bede. They believe that there is a hell and a paradise. Hell they call Neruek, and place it in the inferior regions. Paradise they call Soorug, and say it is in the upper regions. They do not believe either the punishments of hell, or the rewards of paradise to be everlasting; but say that according to the degree of wickedness committed, men will be punished in hell, and afterwards come out from thence; and assume

ing other forms will go into paradife; when they will again change their forms, and return into the world; thus going and returning through the three different states, till they have fully received the fruits of their good and bad actions: after which standing in no further need of either hell or paradife, they will become free from joy and forrow, in the manner that will be hereafter related.

THEY believe some parts of the universe to have existed from all eternity, and that others are created, the particulars whereof will be given hereafter.

They reckon eight divine attributes, which they call accidents.

1, Geeyan, omniscience; 2, Itcha, omnipotence; 3, Purreytun, providence; 4, Sunkehya, unity; 5, Purman, immensity, since God is believed to be every where; 6, Purtukhtoo, analysis; 7, Sunjoog, union, because all things unite in the deity; 8, Behbaug, division. Of these eight attributes, it is believed that the first fix have been from all eternity, and the other two produced afterwards.

In this science they make use of fixteen predicaments, which comprise every thing in the universe.

THE PREDICAMENTS.

- 1 Poormanoo, perfect knowledge.
- 2 Purmiey, comprehension.
- 3 Sunshee, doubt.
- 4 Puryujen, caufe.
- 5 Dishtant, inference.
- 6 Sidhant, positive proof.
- 7 Iyou, all the parts of a syllogism.
- 8 Turrek, negative proof.
- 9 Nirnee, faith founded on entire proof.
- 10 Bad, controverfy with a view to knowledge.
- 11 Jelp, proposition of number.
- 12 Betanda, indirect proposition.
- 13 Heetwahbas, proposition founded on appearance.
- 14 Chul, false proposition.
- 15 Jaut, artful proposition.
- 16 Negehristin, proof obtained from the adversary's arguments.

EXPLANATIONS of the PREDICAMENTS.

The first Predicament POORMANOO.

Signifies true and perfect knowledge, and is of four kinds.

1. Pertchj, the five external fenses, together with Mun, which will be explained hereafter: 2. Unman, conjecture; 3. Owpman, analogy; 4. Subdh, tradition.

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The second Predicament, PURMIEY, comprehension, and which is of twelve kinds, viz.

- 1 Atma, foul of the universe.
- 2 Sireer, matter.
- 3 Inderee, fenfation.
- 4 Ir-th, Substance.
- 5 Boodh, human knowledge.
- 6 Mun, the mind.
- 7 Perweert, voluntary action.
- 8 Dowkh, the cause of prudence.
- 9 Percetbhow, transmigration of the soul.
- 10 Phul, fruit, reward.
- 11 Dookh, pain.
- 12 Apoorukh, deliverance from pain.

ATMA, a subtle essence that pervades every part of the universe, and is the seat of knowledge. And this essence is of two kinds, Jewa Atma, that which belongs to animals and vegetables; and Pur Atma, omniscience, which is the intelligence possessed folely by the only and eternal God. Besides Jewa Atma, every body has a distinct spirit, by which it exercises the internal and external senses, in conjunction with a third essence, called Mun, and which will be more particularly explained presently.

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Sireer, matter, and which is of two kinds, 1, Jewnej, a body produced by the copulation of male and female; 2, Ajewnej, a body which is not produced by these means. Jewnej is subdivided into two kinds, Jerayooj viviparous, and Unduj oviparous. Ajewnej is subdivided into four kinds, 1, Parthu, terrene; 2, Apie, aqueous; 3, Teyjes, igneous; 4, Baiweeya, wrial.

INDREE is the five external fenses, together with Mun, the mind. This last is a subtle essence which unites more especially with the heart, and upon it depend knowledge, thought, and recollection; but they in general do not believe that this sense pervades the whole body like Atma. But according to the tenets of the Meymansa, it is made to be in every part of the body.

IR-TH, substance, is of seven kinds, viz. 1, Dirb, substance ingeneral; 2, Goon, sensible qualities; 3, Kurrum, motion; 4, Sammanee, separable accident; 5, Byfekh, foreign accident; 6, Sumwaiy, relation and correlation; 7, Abhow, privation.

Direction of the sour elements they agree with the Greeks, only that they make air

to be the uppermost. Kal, time, they also make a subtle matter pervading the universe. Deffa is a side or quarter of the universe, which they confider as being every where. Goon is an accident, of which there are fix kinds; Kurrum, motion and progression, of which there are five kinds; 1, circular; 2, upwards; 3, downwards; 4, contraction; 5, expansion, which last they call Hadit. Saman literally fignifies whole, entire. This whole they confider as the compound of substance and accident. They say that nature is from all eternity, and that it is founded on substance, accident and motion, which three collectively they term Jaut Somen or infepals rable accident. The separable accident, or Owparch Saman, they fay is not from all eternity, but may happen to any thing. Byfekh is that whose existence depends upon something entirely distinct from its own nature; and this accident can only proceed from the eternal effence. Sumwaiy is the connection of five things with their respective relatives, viz. r, The relation between motion and its cause; 2, The relation between the substance and the accident; 3, The relation between the materials of which a thing is formed, and the thing itself, as thread and cloth; 4, The relation between the whole and its component parts; 5. The relation between the eternal and other substances; and this relation they consider as having existed from all eternity. They also believe that union is of three kinds, 1, In the manner that has been related; 2, That produced by the union of two fubflances, which is Sunjoog, already mentioned among the attributes; and of this kind of union, they fay there are many. 3, The union of spirit with matter, as the foul with the body. This kind they call Sooroop.

ABHOW.

ABHOW, privation depending upon something foreign, and it is of two kinds, 1, Sunfirgathow, the privation of any one thing. 2, Anewneeablow, the separation of two things, as time and place. Sunfirgathow, is subdivided into three kinds, 1, Paragabhow, a negative past; 2, Perdehnsabhow, a compound negative; 3, Attentabhow, a negative, that does not happen in one place, although it be at one time, as for example, Zied is present on the seasone, and is not in the desert.

THE other five fensible qualities are called Goon, and are of twenty-four kinds; 1, Roop, colour. They reckon five original colours; red, yellow, blue, black, and white; 2, Rufs, the tafte; 3, Gund, the smell; 4, Sooperfs, the touch; 5, Sunkehya, the order of numerals, and which is after three ways; either one by itself, or two together, or more numbers together; 6, Purman, quantity, and which is of four kinds. Un, the indivisible particle; 2, Hirfoo, the quantity of two particles, which they also call Denook; 3, Deerug, the quantity of three particles and upwards; 4, Meht, the quantity of the Akafs and the other elements; 7, Poortuckhtoo, discrimination, and this accident is entire in its own nature. It is after three ways, as if you were to fay, this one is not like that one; or these two are not like those two; or these three are not like those three or more; 8, Sunjong, the union of two eternal fubitances, which unite together from their mutual mot tion. But they do not consider this union to be the same as that which they call Sumwaiy, relation and corellation; 9, Behbaug, division : SMOSELVICE

division; 10, Purtoo, distance of time or place; 11, Apurttoo; nearness of time or place; 12, Boodh, human reason; 13, Sookh, case; 14, Dookh, pain; 15, Itcha, defire, will; 16, Dooweekh, anger; 17, Purreytun, providence; 18, Gowrtoo, gravity; 19, Durwuttoo, progressive motion; 20, Sunneyah, oily; 21, Sunskhar, is an accident whose occurrence does not make any alteration in the original state of the substance, and it is of three kinds; 1,. Beyg, an accident which is produced by motion, and which becomes the cause; as the motion of the arrow after it has left the hey include the second motion in the first, and certainly this accident is occasioned by that, and the motion of the arrow becomes the fecond cause; 2, Bhawna, is particularly applied to reason, being the recollection of something forgotten; and since knowledge cannot exist without cause, action and effect, they therefore make use of this accident, either when the recollection is. affifted by feeing any thing like what had been forgotten, as when any incidental fearch after fomething elfe, whose connection with what was forgotten brings it again to memory; 3, Sootithaig is that which, after having been twifted or bent, becomes ftraight. again; or that which from being bent is made straight, and afterwards returns to its primitive state, (action and reaction):-22, Dherem, happy consciousness; 23, Adherem, unhappy consciousness. -The followers of this doctrine fay that men, by means of these two last accidents transmigrate into different forms, and according to their good or evil deeds are rewarded with happiness, or punished with forrow, 24, Subd, found.

DIVISIONS

ACCIDENTS of MUN DIVISIONS of the ACCIDENTS.

. Accidents of the rational Sense.

1 Boodh.

o Bhawna.

2 Sookh.

10 Sunskar.

3 Dookh.

11 Sunkehya.

4 Itcha.

2 T H 12 Purman.

5 Dooweekh.

13 Poortukhtoo.

6 Purcyten.

14 Sunjoog.

7 Dehrem.

15 Behbaug.

8 Adherem.

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THE first o belong especially to this sense, being never separated from its effence.

ACCIDENTS belonging to the AKASS.

1 Sunkehya.

4 Behbaug.

2 Poortukhtoo.

5 Subd.

3 Sunjoog.

THE last belongs especially to the Akass, being never separated from its effence. 5 Sumoos.

ACCIDENTS of KAL and DESSA.

I Sunkehya. Sunjoog. 2711008

2 Poortukhtoo.

4 Behbaug.

ACCIDENTS of MUN.

1 Sunkehya.

2 Poortukhtoo.

3 Sunjoog.

4 Behbaug.

5 Pertoo.

6 Apertoo.

7 Biyg.

8 Sunskar.

ACCIDENTS of BAD.

1 Soopers.

2 Sunkehya.

3 Purman.

4 Poortukhtoo. 5 Sunjoog.

6 Behbaug.

7 Pertoo.

8 Apertoo.

9 Durwuttoo.

10 Biyg.

11 Sunskar.

ACCIDENTS of FIRE.

1 Roop.

2 Sooperss.

3 Sunkehya.

4 Purman.

5 Poortukhtoo.

6 Sunjoog.

7 Behbaug.

8 Pertoo.

9 Apertoo.

10 Gowrtoo.

11 Durwuttoo.

12 Suneych.

13 Sunskar.

14 Kurrum.

Soorers and Kurrum belong especially to fire, being never separated from its essence.

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ACCIDENTS of WATER.

1 Roop.

9 Pertoo.

2 Rufs.

10 Apertoo.

3 Soopers.

11 Gowrtoo.

3 Sunkehya.

12 Durwuttoo.

5 Purman.

13 Suneyeh.

6 Poortukhtoo.

14 Sookh.

7 Sunjoog.

8 Behbaug.

15 Sunskar.

SUNEYER, Kurrum and Soopers, are especial to water, being never separated from its essence.

THERE are many more divisions of the accidents, but what have been given are fufficient for my purpole. I shall now proceed to explain the 5th division of the predicament Purmicy.

BOODH. Although this has already been mentioned under the fecond division of Ir-th, yet it is necessary to say something more on the fubject in this place.

BOODH, human knowledge, they divide into two kinds: 1, Unnebhow, conjecture or opinion, which is obtained by the means of Itcha, or the will; 2, Soomerut, is that which having been learnt and forgotten, is recollected through the medium of Ehonwa. Again Unnebhow P VOL. III.

Unnebhow is of two kinds; that which is certain; and that of which there is fome doubt. This last is subdivided into three kinds:

1, Sunshee mixed with doubt; 2, Beeparjee, mistaking; 3, Turrek, the eighth predicament, which will be explained in its proper place.

Mun, already mentioned among the substances, has the following divisions; Purweert the actions of Mun, by means of the tongue and other members in good and bad deeds. They say that external actions require four things: 1, knowledge; 2, inclination: 3, determination; 4, motion.

DOOKH is the cause of Pureytun, and is of three kinds: 1, Rakh, desire, will; 2, Dooweekh, anger; 3, Mowh, believing that to exist which does not exist.

PEREETBHOW is living after death, and the rational fense entering the body, and dying after living, and breaking the relations between body and soul after the union.

PHUL, the fruit, or reward, or punishment of Dehrem, or Adherem.

DOOKH, pain, is the contrary of Sookh, ease, happiness. They fay that all the comforts of this life are only sorrow, and therefore do not make any account of Sookh.

APOORUKH, the deliverance from one pain by fuch means as will not produce another. They fay, there are twenty-one kinds of pain

pain or forrow; viz. the fix fenses and their fix objects, the fix intelligences which form the fenses, and the body which is the storehouse of evils, and joy according to the vulgar opinion, but which in reality is forrow and absolute pain. Dookh implies whatever is contrary to our inclination, which, if it takes any effect, causes uneafiness. When a person arrives at such a degree of persection as entirely destroys all the twenty-one things abovementioned, that state is called Muckut, when the foul becomes perfectly infenfible, quits its connection with the body, and never again vifits either paradife or hell; because that all the causes of forrow arise from the union of the foul with the body. This union of the foul with the body they call Jennum, birth, and it is produced by Dehrem or Adherem. After the union of body and foul take place, the person receives in this life the reward of his virtues and the punishment of his vices, bestowed or inflicted in return for Kurrum, which in this place fignifies the performance of any action, whether it be good or bad, joyful or forrowful. Kurrum is produced by Jeytun, which has the same signification as Pureytun and Purweert, voluntary action, in consequence of Rakh, desire. Rakh is produced by Meet-hageeyan, false conception. Through the means of Bhowna, recollection, and Sunfkar, reflection, the ignorant obtain knowledge. Knowledge proceeds from the operations of the foul and body, and the proper use of good means; knowledge produces worthy reflections: then fenfual knowledge vanishes, true knowledge discovers itself, and thereis an end of transmigration.

Some fay that when, through the means of reason, man is arrived at the highest degree of perfection, there is an end of miscomprehension, ignorance, defire and anger. Purweers, voluntary action, ceases, and in consequence there is an end of Jennum, or birth; and from a cessation of Jennum, there is an end of pain and sorrow; and everlasting Muchut ensues.

ANOTHER feet fay, that when the flate of everlasting knowledge is obtained, Meet-hageeyan, false conception, ceases, which destroys Itcha, which destroys Purcytun, which destroys Kurrum. The destruction of Kurrum is followed by that of Dehrem and Adherem, which puts an end to Jennum, and its consequence Dookh.

But the strict followers of the Necaiy doctrine say, that when the elementary body obtains the true light, knowledge also ceases. And they say that this degree of persection is obtained through the means of three things, Shirwan, Munnun, and Nidhassen. 1, Shirwan, hearing and persectly comprehending the Bedes, and the traditions of the rightcous, which cannot be effected without the guidance of one who hath travelled that road; 2, Munnun, giving the mind to the personance of whatever is established by the divine book, and by the doctrines of the rightcous, so as to have implicit faith in their proofs and arguments. Another sect maintain that man, after having obtained the persection above described, is continually contemplating the state of the soul, independent of every thing else; 3, Nidhassen is that state which is produced by

the contemplation and investigation of divine things to such an intense degree, that it becomes quite habitual, occupying every thought and governing every action.

ANOTHER fect fay, that the contemplation of the foul will be of fuch continuance, that the thread will never be broken.

The followers of the Neeaiy believe in Gaiybeyoh, which is this. When the light of knowledge shines upon a righteous person, he becomes acquainted with things past and present concerning himself; knows how many transmigrations he must undergo; and if he wishes them to pass quickly, the Almighty endows him with such power, that he is enabled to persorm the various changes in a short space of time, and without passing into Mirtlogue, but enters into immortal bliss instantly upon quitting the elementary body. They also say that all mankind will ultimately arrive at the state of Muchut. Although they do not allow of any beginning of the world, yet they believe that there will be an end-of procreation.

The Third Predicament, SUNSHEE,

MIXED with doubt, and which they make to be of three kinds:

1. That which is produced from beholding compound accidents,
as feeing fomething at a diffance without being able to determine
whether it be a tree or a man; 2. When a thing is discovered by
fome particular mark, but its age, substance, and accident are not
known;

known; 3, That doubt which occurs in discourse, as when two learned men dispute by positive or negative arguments.

The Fourth Predicament, PURYUJEN,

THE causes of which they reckon only three; 1, The efficient cause, which they call Nimutkaren; 2. The material cause, Sumwaiykaren; 3, The external or apparent cause, Asmewaiykaren.—They call the cause Karen; the effect Karidj; and the final cause Samgurree. The detail is to be found in Hindovee books, where they treat of the first predicament.

The Fifth Predicament, DISHTANT,

INFERENCE, or mentioning the place relative to the necessity.

The Sixth Predicament, SIDHANT,

ENLIGHTENED by proofs.

The Seventh Predicament, IYOU,

WHATEVER is necessary for forming a fyllogism, which are five; viz. 1, Pertignya; 2, Heeyut; 3, Oodakurren; 4, Apnee; 5, Nigmun.

1, PERTIGNYA, or uttering the proposition; as if you were to fay, there is fire in this mountain.

- 2, Heevut, proof by inference; as smoke issuing from the mountain proves fire to be there also. There are three kinds of inference; 1, positive inference, which they call Keylewenwee; 2, negative inference, Keywullitreekee; 3, both positive and negative, Unneweebitreekee. And they also make five things necessary under this last head to complete the syllogism; viz. Putchfuttoo, Suppitcheefuttoo, Beputchasattoo, Abadhpesheetoo, Assulpurrutputchtoo. The siss, Putchfuttoo, the person who knows the proof, knowing it to be an absolute consequence: 2, Suppitcheefuttoo, knowing the place and the necessary consequence; as the kitchen where there are smoke and sire: 3, Beputchasattoo, knowing that in whatever place there is not what is required, there can neither be the consequence; as water, in which there is neither smoke nor sire: 4, Aladhpesheetoo, ignorance of the privation of what is required: 5, Assulpurrutputchtoo, an appearance resembling what is sought.
 - 3, OODAKURREN, illustration of the effect.
 - 4. APNEE, shewing the cause in the place required.
- 5, NIGMUN, the conclusion of a syllogism. Although this is the primary object, yet being obtained by the aforementioned means, it is therefore the fifth, by way of conclusion of a syllogism.

The Eighth Predicament, TURRER,

NEGATIVE proof. Thus he fays to him who denies the existence of fire, " if it were fo, there could not be any smoke; that " being the effect of fire." The Ninth Predicament, NIRNEE,

CERTAIN belief founded on proof.

The Tenth Predicament, BAD,

TRUE controversy, with a view to knowledge.

The Eleventh Predicament, JELP,

PROPOSITION of number.

The Twelfth Predicament, BEYTANDA, INDIRECT proposition.

The Thirteenth Predicament, HEETWABHAS,

A PROPOSITION founded on appearance; and is of five kinds.

The Fourteenth Predicament, CHUL, FALSE proposition.

The Fisteenth Predicament, JAUT,

GIVING an useless answer of a bad tendency, but which, through artifice in the delivery, succeeds; and this they reckon of twenty-four kinds.

The Sixteenth Predicament, NEGREHSTAN,

Is when the adversary is convicted by his own words; and this they reckon of twenty-two kinds.

Or all these fixteen predicaments, there are various divisions and explanations.

They believe that whosoever is perfect in the knowledge and practice of these sixteen predicaments, will immediately arrive at the state of Muckut. They say that the attainment of this excellence depends on three things, 1, Owdies, the knowledge of the names of these sixteen predicaments, and remembering them; 2, Lutchin, knowing the true meaning thereof; 3, Pureytcha, the practice thereof.

THE followers of this doctrine, although they deny that the universe had any beginning, yet believe in its diffolution, which they call Purlie. This they say is of two kinds, first, Kundpurlie, when a Brahma will arrive at the state of Muckut. At this time there will be left only Dehrem, Adherem, Bhawana, Sunfkar and Kurrum. And in every wonderful hundred years, of which fomething has been faid already *, Brahma will arrive at their state. The fecond at the death of Brahma, when all created beings will be destroyed. The first cause of this dissolution, will be the divine will, at the expiration of an appointed time. At that period, by the will of the Most High, Dehrem and Adherem will be destroyed; and the indivisible particle will get into motion, whereby Bhaug (separation) will become complete, and Sunjoog (union) will be destroyed .-Earth, fire, air and water, will be destroyed one after the other, in the order now mentioned. Thus there will be an end of all created things; and the foul will be in the flate of Muckut. This diffolution they call Mohapurlie.

ONE fect reckons four diffolutions. Two as now described. At the third there will be an end of virtue, and this they say will be at the end of every four Jowgs. The fourth is the diffolution of each particular thing; as first when the spirit Man separates from the soul, which is its Pursie. Then the diffolution of the amion between the body and the soul, and which is its Pursie.

THEY call the creation of the world, after its diffolution, Scriftte, and fay that by the will of God, after the expiration of a long period, Dehrem and Adherem will come into action, and the indivisible particle will obtain motion. First there will be an union of two atoms, which they call Deenook, which will be joined by a third atom, which will produce a good mixture called Tereeshnook, and the union of the fourth atom they call Chutternook. thus the union will increase gradually, and produce a number of forms; existence changing out of non-existence in the following order, contrary to what they were at first : Air, Fire, Water, Earth, Brahma, Bilhen, Mahadeo. But there will not be any visible appearance of these glorious persons in their own forms, although they will assume various others, and bestow blessings upon mankind. From air will be produced ærial bodies, who will inhabit Baiylogue, which is the highest region. From this element will also be produced the touch, wind, and the soul, figuratively called Purran, and which they reckon to be of five kinds, as will be described hereafter. From fire will be produced fiery bodies whose feat will be Aditlogue, which is the region that the sun travels through, and from this element will also proceed sight, and different degrees of heat. From water will be produced aqueous bodies, whose feat is in the Wurrenlogue. It will also produce the taste, seas and rivers, snow, ice, and hail. The region of Wurrenlogue they place near the mountain of Summier. From earth will be produced earthly bodies, and the sense of smelling, together with metals, minerals, plants, and animals. Brahma will first create bodies by his own power, without the medium of generation; and in this place they give a wonderful detail.

THEY say that there is one eternal will of God, which creates, and another which destroys. The creative will they call Chickeer-kha, and the destructive will, Sunjeerkha.

Of their BOOKS.

THEY reckon five gradations, 1, Sooter, which is a kind of treatife or epitome; 2, Bhakey, which is somewhat fuller; 3, Bartick, more comprehensive than the former; 4, Teeka, which is a commentary on the last; 5, Nebundeh; is the complete system of any science. Others make twelve instead of five degrees. The five aforesaid; 6, Biert, which is a concise explanation of the Sooter;

7. Necrookt, a detail of the Subd or traditions. They have also two modes of writing, one when the letter is not accented, which they call Dhoon; and the other when the letter is accented, and which is called Burren and Atcher; a number of Atchers form a Pud (word), a number of Puds form a Bakia (sentence), and several Bahias make a Sooter; a number of Sooters make a Purkurren; a number of Purkurrens make an Ahinek, and a number of Ahineks make an Adehya or Shaster. In some books when there is any doubt of the signification of a Pud, it is also explained in the Shaster. 8, Purkurren, a treatise upon one or two cases; 9, Ahinek, is an abridgment that may be read in a day; 10, Purswisht, is a treatise on any particular science; 11, Puddhet, is an illustration of the doctrines of the fix sects properly arranged; 12, Sungreh, treats of the doctrines of the other three sects.

These books are not confined to the followers of Neeaiy. A note or common place book, they call Birjeah. In the place of chapters and sections, they make use of the following words, Unk, Utchwass, Surrug, Bisram, Oollass, Puttull, Adeys, Adheen, Tunter.

THE Science of Neesiy is comprised in five Adehyas; 1, is a detail of the Padaruts, and the praises due to each; 2, treats of the Purmans; 3, on the first fix kinds of Purmiey; 4, on the remaining kinds of Purmiey; 5, on Jaut and Negristan.

The SCIENCE of BEYSHEEKHEK.

ALTHOUGH Konad taught Beysheekhek before Gotem introduced Neeaiy, yet as the latter is more comprehensive, and more generally followed, I have treated of it first.

KONAD the philosopher was the inventor of Beysheekhek. It agrees with Necaiy in some points, and differs in others.

THE followers of Beysheekhek in the place of fixteen predicaments, make use of Dirb, Goon, Kurrum, Saman, Byseekh, Sumwaiy, and Abhow.

PURMANOO (perfect knowledge), they divide only into Pertehj and Atma.

Or the accidents of heat produced by the fun or fire, they reckon colour, taste, smell and touch. To these four accidents they give the general term Pakudj. The Neeayicks maintain that corporeal substance does not change its state by maturity or immaturity; but these say that the corporeal particles are separated, and reunited by the divine power. The Neeayicks say that Sumwaiy (similitude), is distinguished by the eye; whilst Konad afferts it to be only conjecture, and parody of reasoning.

The SCIENCE of MEYMANSA.

This was invented by Jymin, before either Neeaiy or Beysheekhek. He presided over three other sages Komarul Bhutt, Purbhaker Gooroo, and Morar Misser. It is said by some, that this sect are atheists; and others pretend that they admit a God, but deny a creator, believing all things to be produced by Dehrem and Adherem. But from strict enquiry, and close intimacy with the learned sollowers of this sect, it evidently appears, that they agree with the two foregoing respecting the Deity; but being sensible of human ignorance, they are silent on the subject, and consine their doctrine to sensible actions. But the ignorance and malice of the world, attribute this silence to a denial of the existence of a Supreme Being.

THE Purmans (quantities), which the Necayicks use among the accidents for explaining the divine nature, these do not apply to that purpose. They do not indeed believe Brahma, Bishen, and Mahadeo to be emanations of the Deity; but say they are human beings, who through their righteousness attain to this degree of perfection. They believe most of the effects attributed to the Dewtahs, to be nothing more than Magick, and think it to be produced by repeating certain words.

They believe the universe and the elements, to be without beginning and without end. They believe that bodies are only a compound of atoms, and not produced from one substance. They believe

believe Mun, like Atma, to be every where; and fay that men are free agents. They teach of the different degrees of hell and paradife, the transmigration of the soul, and Muckut; but deny Khundpurlie. They believe Muckut to be produced by the union of knowledge and action. They say that in this state the soul will perpetually enjoy sublime knowledge, and perfect ease.

They make air to be the medium of found, whereas the Neeayicks attribute this property to the Akafs.

Summary (relation), they make to be the second of the three persons (Bishen) eternal from eternity, and accidental from accident; and believe it to be different in every instance.

BHUTT and MISSER use the ten following Predicaments.

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BYSHEESHTEE, the arrival at privation, which they confider as a distinct state; and this is what the Neeavicks call Sooroop and Subde, or the dissolution of the accidents.

Shucker, is a property dependent upon fomething else, and which is invisible. As the property of burning which is in fire; and the property of water to quench thirst. This they say is two-fold one essential, as has been described; and accidental which is produced by Magick and such means. But the Neeayicks consider them as merely essential, the property of burning and quenching being in fire, and in water.

SADERSHEE, a common property between two things.

SUNKERYA (number), they do not confider as an accident, but make it a distinct substance.

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PURBAKER GOOROO reckons only nine predicaments, rejecting Abhow, privation.

Komarul Brutt reckons eleven predicaments, the first nine the same as the Neeayicks, to which he adds Undkhar darkness.—
The Neeayicks say that darkness is nothing but the absence of light; but these account it a distinct substance, which spreads its own shade over every thing; and they consider the following to be the accidents of darkness; colour, quantity, divisibility, union, separation, distance, proximity. The 11th Subdb (traditions), these consider to be everlasting and universal. The forms of speech they consider as substances, and excepting Roop, colour, give them all the other twenty-one accidents.

PURBAKER GOOROO says that Subdh is not a substance, but an accident from all eternity.

BHUTT afferts that knowledge is attained by conjecture; whilst Gooroo says that by means of knowledge, conjecture is formed, like a lamp, which being lighted, makes itself as well as other objects, visible. Mirar Misser agrees with the Neeavicks, that knowledge is obtained through the means of Mun; but he denies the existence of the two first accidents of Purmanoo.

THE Neeavicks fay, that gold is produced from fire; and the Meymenfucks, that it is from earth. Kal, time, according to the Neeavicks, is comprehended by conjecture; but these fay that it is discovered by the senses. Of the accidents, these make colour to have been from all eternity; and they consider the five colours as only one accident.

GENERAL property they fay is inherent in the substance. Beyg. cause of motion, and Sunskar, repulsive quality, they do not admit, but attribute their actions to Kurrum, motion.

BRUTT and MISSER use six divisions of Purmanoo (perfect know-ledge), four of which have been mentioned in Neeaiy; they reckon seven senses. The seventh is Tamisindree, the perception of darkness. They deny positive and negative inference. Gooroo neither admits of salse conception. In Sunshee, doubt, and Beyperjee,

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mistake, they consider two perfect modes of knowledge. The perception of air, which the Neeavicks attribute to conjecture, these ascribe to the touch. The 5th, Irt-hapute, is advancing the Cause, and requiring the Effect. The 6th, Unpelubdeh, the ignorance of things. They say that ignorance is the want of knowledge. But Misser agrees with the Neeavicks, that this want of knowledge proceeds from defect in the senses.

They say that good and evil depend upon actions, which they reckon of two kinds. Bhutt, an action which produces good; and Nickeddeh, that which produces evil. The sirst is again of sour kinds: 1, Nit, a duty whose continual performance is indispensible; and the omission bad. 2, Neemith, an indispensible duty to be performed at a particular season; such as the ceremonies necessary to be performed at eclipses of the sun and moon. 3, Kamee, an action which produces the desired effect. 4, Perayishcht, expiation of a crime. The first six of the nine sects agree in the necessity of expiating a crime.

THE four tribes following this doctrire, have their respective ceremonies. But the general doctrine of Meymansa is comprised in twelve Adheyas, containing as follows:

1, Or Predicaments and Purmanoo. 2, Of actions; and explanations of many dubious points in the Bede. 3, A summary of those great duties, the fruits of which are explained in the Bede;

and also of the lesser duties which are dependent on them. 4, On the two uses for which wealth is acquired, for sensual gratification, and for burnt facrifice. 5, Rules of conduct. 6, The rewards for good, and punishments for bad actions. 7, A particular relation of what is treated summarily in the Bede. 8, Illustration of some points that have been treated summarily. 9, Explanation of the incantation that is made in one of the three names; what other name may be substituted for it; and the ceremonies to be observed. 10, Some particulars which cannot be treated summarily. 11, Explanation of one good action, which may produce two good effects. 12, Explanation of an action which has but one object.

The SCIENCE of BEYDANT.

This doctrine was first taught by Byass the philosopher, one of the nine persons whom the Hindoos say are immortal. The sollowing are their names: 1, Loomus; 2, Makiendie; 3, Byass; 4, Ashootaman; 5, Bul; 6, Hunwent; 7, Bibeekhen; 8, Kirpacharij; 9, Purrissram. Of these nine immortal persons they relate wonderful stories.

THE followers of this doctrine agree with Bhutt in the Pudaruts, Purmans, &c. But although they believe in hell, paradife, and other viciffitudes, yet they fay they are only ideal. They say that excepting the Deity, nothing exists, the universe being only an appearance without any reality, just as a man in a dream sees imaginary objects, and in that state experiences ideal pleasure and pain. So that life is nothing but a dream, there being only one resplendent light, which assumes different appearances.

In this Science there are fix things; 1, Brimmah; 2, Islur; 3. Jeewa; 4, Geeyan; 5, Sumbedeh; 6, Birbede.

THE first, Brimmah, is God, the sole bestower of justice. Omniscience, Omnipresence, and Rest, which they call Anund, are the fountain of his essence. They believe Brimmah to be without beginning and without end; and the other sive are from eternity.

To Geeyan (Omniscience) they ascribe two powers; Pitchutsuckut, the external, and Anwerunsuckut, the internal power of knowledge.

SUMBEDEH is the exercise of the external sense of Omniscience.

Birbede, the ceffation of Sumbedeh. Geeyan, when it employs Pitchutfuckut, is called Maia; and Abedeeya, when it acts by the means of Anwerunfuckut. The divine effence, upon its union with Maia, becomes manifest, and is then called Iffur; and it is not defiled by this union. When the Deity unites with Abedeeya, it is call-

ed Jew and Jewaima. Then it retires behind the veil of fecrecy, without soffering any impurity. Some among this sect say, that Abedecya is uncompounded, not making any account of Jew; and deny that any one has yet arrived at the state of Muchut. Others again, and who are numerous, admit both Jew and Muchut. It is certain that many virtuous men have arrived at this state, which is throwing off Ageeyan by the light of sublime knowledge. Ag eyan has three accidents; 1, Sut, from whence proceed virtue, knowledge, ease, and such like; 2, Ruj, from whence proceed desire, sorrow, joy, and such like; 3, Tum, from whence proceed anger, ignorance, idolence, and such like. When Issur unites with Ruj, it is called Brahma, who is the creator. When it unites with Sut, it is called Bishen, the preserver. When it unites with Tum, it is called Mahadeo, the destroyer.

THE progression of the creation is from these three accidents; and all these incorporeal beings are visible, through the medium of Agecyan.

THEY agree with the Neeayicks in making five elements; but each of these they divide into two kinds: 1, Sochum, an invisible particle, and in that state it is called Apunchekeert, when Tum is prevalent. 2, Sithowl, a visible particle, in which state it is called Puncheekeert, and is produced by the prevalence of Ruj, and a great prevalence of Ruj is called Akass. They reckon sound an accident of the Akass. By an excess of Ruj, air is also produced, to which they give

give two accidents, Subdh and Sooperfs. From Sut is produced fire, to which they give three accidents, Subdh, Sooperfs, and Roop. From an excels of Sut and Ruj is produced water, to which they give four accidents, the three last mentioned, and Rufs. From the excels of Tum is produced earth, to which they give five accidents, the four last mentioned, and Gundh.

THEY say that the sense of hearing is produced from the Akass; the touch from air; the sight from sire; the taste from water; the smell from earth. And these sive senses are occasioned by the power of Sut. These sive senses they call Geeyan Indree. The Akass produces Bak, speech; air produces Ban, the power of the arms; sire Pad, the power of the feet; water Paiey, the power of voiding the excrement; earth Opusteh, the power of urining. And whoever has the full exercise of these sunctions, they call Kurrum Indree.

By the excess of Sut, is produced a subtle essence called Untah-kurrum, which from its sour states has sour names: 1, when Sut is prevalent, and there is a desire of discriminating and enquiry, it is called Chit; 2, when Ruj is prevalent, from whence doubt arises, it is called Mun; 3, when Sut is so prevalent that certainty ensues, it is called Bhoodh; 4, when Tum (pride) is prevalent, and assumes to itself the things that are only lent, it is called Ahenkar. Apuncheekeert, by the prevalence of Ruj, produces sive winds: 1, Purran, the wind in the mouth and nose; 2, Oudan, the wind in the belly; 3, Oupan, the wind in the posteriors; 4, Beyan, the wind in the other

other parts of the body. Lingsereer and Sowchumsereer, are general terms for the ten Inderees, Untahkurrum and the five airs; making altogether fixteen things. This Sowchum body, they say, belongs to every animal; but that on account of its subtility it is not discernible by the senses, and is lost in the state of Muckut. After that an animal is produced, whose body is entirely Lingsereeree, which they call Herenegerbeh. Whatever transmigration happens after this, has a spiritual form.

THE production of Ishthowlfirreer is after the following manner. Each of the five aforefaid kinds of Sowchum they divide into two parts; and five of these ten they subdivide again into five others each. Half the Sowchum Akafs, with four other parts of air, fire; water, and earth, unite together, which produces Akafs Ishthowl. Half the Sowchum, air, with a part of Akafs, fire, water and earth, united produce Badishthows. Half of the Sowchum fire, united with a part of Akass, water, air and earth, produce the Ishthoral fire; the same with water and earth. Some fay that the Ishthowl Akass, and Ishthowl air are produced without any mixture of fire, water and earth; but agree respecting the rest, excepting that the Ishthowl fire, water and earth, they divide each into two parts, one of which they leave in its original state, and the other half of each they divide into three parts, which are compounded in the manner before described, which mixture produces the Ishthowl fire, water and earth. And from the five Ishthowl elements, by the excess of either of the three accidents, Sut, Ruj, and Tum, the fourteen regions and their inhabitants are produced. THEY THEY fay that a person will be created, who will be acquainted with the Ishthowsfercer, and he will be called Berat.

THE diffolution of the universe they describe after the following manner. Earth will be destroyed by water, water by fire, fire by air, air by Akass, and the Akass dissolve into Maia. From this dissolution will consequently arise Agecyan, of which they reckon three degrees; 1, Dinedan, the expiration of one day of Brahma; 2, Parakurt, the dissolution which will then ensue; 3, Atentich, the dissolution of Agecyan, when Omniscience will shine forth. Of the first kind a great deal has happened, and is accomplishing. But Atentich will only happen once; it being the dissolution of Agecyan and its accidents.

THE doctrines of this fect are comprised in four Adheyas. The first contains an account of Brimmah; the second of worship; the third how to obtain Muchut; the sourth, the nature of Muchut.

The learned Hindoos have divided the Bede into three parts; 1, Kurramkand, the performance of various duties, and which they call Poorub Meymanfa; 2, Gecyankand, and this they call Outre Meymanfa, which is more commonly known under the name of Beydant; 3, Opassa, which they also call Sunkerkhen Meymansa. The fignification of Opassa is, God being conceived under a form is worshipped. But now this book is very scarce.

They say, that every one is not sit to be instructed in the Bey-dant, neither is every one capable of comprehending it. He who seeks this knowledge must be able to distinguish what is eternal, from what is created, must despise the world, study with intentness, not be disturbed at not finding the non-existing comprehensions, must disregard joy and forrow, but daily increase in the contemplation of Muckut.

The SCIENCE of SANK.

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THE first teacher of this doctrine was Kupel the philosopher.

Some pretend that this feet are atheists; but they only disbelieve in a creator, faying that the universe is from all eternity, and that nothing is annihilated, but only disappears, the effect being absorbed in the cause; as the tortoise draws its legs into its shell.

THEY believe man to be a free agent, and that he is rewarded or punished according to his good or bad actions.

THEY fay, that when the time of creation arrives, Sut is prevalent, and there appears Mehtet, which is the first created substance. Every man has a distinct Mehtet, and which they also call Boodh. This substance comprises eight things. 1, Dehrem. 2, Adherem. 3, Geen Vol. III.

yan. 4, Agecyan. 5, Berag, comprehending and despising the things of this world. 6, Aberag, miscomprehending and esteeming the things of this world. 7, hystruj, the operations of the soul, by which man comprehends whatever is abstruste. 8, Abiystruj, those operations of the soul which lead to misconception. Of these eight faculties four are invariable, which are produced by the prevalence of Sut; and sour accidental produced by the prevalence of Tum.

THE creation of the elements they confider to be of fix kinds. 1, Surglogue, or the uppermost region, produced by the prevalence of 2, Meertlogue, the region inhabited by the human race, produced by the prevalence of Ruj. 3, Patallogue, beneath the earth, produced by the prevalence of Tum. 4, The Dewiah, who are produced by Affut, the absence of passions. They have power to change their forms, and assume wonderful shapes, whilst from the transparency of their substances, their natural forms are not visible. There are eight orders of Dewtahs. 1, Brahma, those who inhabit the region of Brahma. 2, Perajaputty, the inhabitants of the region of Perajaput, a very powerful Dewtah. 3, Indree, those who inhabit the region of Indree. 4, Peetre, the inhabitants of the region of Petree. They whole ancellors for feveral generations have been virtuous, when they allume paradifical forms, enter into this region. 5. Gundherp, the hoft of divine chorifters. 6, Jutak, the inhabitants of the region of Jutah, the guardian of the north. 7, Rackafs, evil Dewtahs, who destroy mankind. 8, Pyacheh, another race more hurtful than the Rackafs,

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5, Tirjung, animals produced by the prevalence of Ruj, and who are of five kinds. 1, Pufk, domestic quadrupeds. 2, Moorg, wild quadrupeds. 3, Pookh, birds. 4, Sirryfirp, snakes and all aquatres. 5, Sithawer, plants. The fixth Munnook, mankind, produced by the prevalence of Ruj.

MANY believe in the above divisions, and say that at the dissolution the universe will be absorbed in the Elements, and they in Akenkher, which absorption they call Purkeert.

PAIN is of three kinds. 1, Adehyatemk, envy and ill nature. 2, Adehdewik, that which is inflicted by the Dewtahs. 3, Adehbhowtik, that which is occasioned by any of the elements.

They say, that if man relies solely upon God, he will become a monarch of the upper regions, and there enjoy all his wishes for the space of one hundred thousand Monunters, at the expiration of which he will return to this world; and then again for every good action, will receive a suitable reward in the upper regions. Whosever gives to a Brahmin sufficient ground for a house to stand upon, will enjoy ten Kulebs in Paradise before he returns again to the earth. And for bestowing one thousand head of cattle, the reward in Paradise will be ten thousand years of bliss, before he returns again to this world. After he has undergone many of these transmigrations,

grations, he will arrive at Muchut, which is the state of sublime knowledge, when transmigration ceases.

THE doctines of this fect are contained in fixty books, which they call Tanter.

The SCIENCE of PATENJIL.

THIS doctrine was introduced by the philosopher Patenjil. agrees in every point with Sank, excepting that these make God to be the creator; and fay that existence and omniscience are the fountain of his effence. These also believe, that Muchut can only be obtained through the medium of Fowg, or a complete victory over the passions, for gaining which they assign various means, fome of which I shall here relate, as the information may be ferviceable to those who wish to obtain this state. They say, that when Mehtet unites with the three accidents, Tum, Ruj, and Sut, five flates are produced, which they call the five Bhoom, viz. 1. Chipt, produced by the prevalence of Ruj, when the heart is not fixed to any one point. 2, Mowdh, from the prevalence of Tum, when the heart is fatisfied, notwithstanding it does not obtain its wants. 3, Beychipt, from the prevalence of Sut, when the heart obtains all its defires, and is a little at rest. 4, Eykagur, when so much power is obtained, that on whatever object the heart is fet, it does not wander. 5, Nyrodek, is the flate wherein from the absence of those three:

three accidents, all defires of the heart ceafe, and it begins to have fome knowledge. Jowg is never obtained, excepting in the two last states. In the first state the mind is possessed by Adherem; in the second by Ageeyan; in the third by Abyrag and Abeyshruj; in the fourth by Dehrem, Geeyan, Birag, and Iyhruj; and in the fifth all traces of good and bad actions are erased, there being an end of Beert, or the inclination to do good or bad. Beert is of two kinds. 1, Kullisht, the inclination to do bad. 2, Akullisht, the inclination to do good. And each of these is again divided into five kinds. 1, Purmanbeert, certain knowledge of things from the prevalence of Sut. 2, Beepeyie, depraved knowledge, from the abfence of Sut and Tum. 3. Biklup, doubt concerning the Deity, from the absence of Sut and Tum. 4, Nidra, sleep, when knowledge vanishes, from the absence of Tum. 5, Sumrut, recollecting what had been forgotten, from the absence of Sut. When all these flates are at an end, the bleffing of Muckut is obtained in the

The state of Muchut is obtained by the twelve following actions. 1, Infuropassa, continual comtemplation of the Deity. Those who practise this say, that by keeping God continually in remembrance, all evil is dispelled, and the nine following enemies to men are dispersed. 1, Beyedeh, sickness. 2, Settyan, disinclination for good actions. 3, Sunshee, doubts of the causes and benefits of the Jowg. 4, Purmad, forgetfulness of indispensable duties. 5, Alsee, slothfulness in business. 6, Owrut, unlawful desires. 7, Behrantdurshun, corrupt knowledge. 8, Alubdhwumkutto, sickleness. 9, Anoostiktuttoo, a mind not to be satisfied.

The second means of obtaining Jowg is Sidha, or a hearty inclination to perform the Jowg; and confidering it as the means of obtaining our wishes.

THE third, Beyperi, fearthing after it with ardent defire.

THE fourth, Somrut, belief that this work will produce great benefit; and being intent upon the performance of it.

THE fifth, Meytree, withing well to all mankind.

THE fixth, Kuma, being afflicted at the diffresses of others, and striving to relieve them.

THE feventh, Moodeh, taking pleasure in the virtue of others.

THE eighth, Apeecha, withdrawing from those who injure us, and doing them neither good nor harm, seeing that whosoever injures another, the same will fall upon himself.

THE ninth, Samadeh, making choice of retirement, and thinking only on one object.

The tenth, Perkeya, having nothing in the heart but sublime knowledge, and seeking after rightcousness.

THE eleventh, Byrag, having the heart alienated from worldly concerns, and incessantly seeking God.

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THE twelfth, Abeehyafs, being so persect in knowledge and good actions, that they become natural.

The Jowg is of two kinds. 1, Sumpergeyat, which is when the heart, by confining itself to one contemplation, arrives at persection by degrees, and conceives an ideal form of the divinity. 2, Assumpergeyat, when the imaginary form of the Deity disappears from the mind, and nothing remains but the comtemplation of his essence. Again, Sumpergeyat is of three kinds. 1, Goraheyhsammaput, when the mind is fixed upon the elements. 2, Gerhensummaput, when the mind employs only one of the senses. 3, Girkittersummaput, when the mind employs only Atma. And also Assumpergeyat is of two kinds. 1, Bhoopirtee, when there remains the power of distinguishing Perkeert, Atma, and the elements from each other. 2, Opaypirtee, being only able to distinguish Atma; and this is the state of Muchul.

The person who has arrived at the state of Jowg, possesses these tour qualities. 1, Advancing in this perisons road with strong inclination and sirmness; and this state is called Pirtehmhelech. 2, Mudbhoomick, so subduing the heart by virtuous actions, that like a mirror it may be free from all impurity, and be able to reslect whatever is in the heart of another, and thus to perceive any thing that from its minuteness is imperceptible to ordinary viewers. 3, Pirgeeayojowt, by deligence, aided by good fortune, gaining victory over the senses and the elements, so as to be able to see and hear whatever

whatever is far or near; and to have power to create and to deflroy.

THEY fay, that the Jowg Sumpergeyal is compounded of eight things. 1, Jun. 2, Neem. 3, Affin. 4. Purraniyan. 5, Perteeyalar. 6, Dohama. 7, Dehyan. 8, Summadeh.

Jum is of five kinds. 1, Ahenfa, not to kill or molest any animal; whereby enemies become friends. 2, Suttee, to speak nothing but truth; by which means he will obtain his wishes. 3, Asceyee, not to accept of more wealth than what is allowed by law; by which means he will have under his command the keys of the treasures of the world. 4, Birhumchiry, not to have any connection with women, by which means his breath will be so efficacious, that it will light up the lamp of knowledge in the hearts of the ignorant. 5, Appergerreh, not holding any worldly possessions, but considering them as the cause of every kind of unhappiness. From this action, past and to come will be revealed unto him.

NEEM is also of five kinds. 1, Soweh, avoiding all connection with mankind. By this means the effence Mun will become pure, and good defires be the fruit thereof. 2, Suntonk, giving up all improper defires, from having no pleasure in them. This action will produce such a happy disposition, that he will not have any relish for worldly pleasures. 3, Tup, reconciling the mind and body to cold, heat, hunger, thirst, and silence. From this conduct distant

distant and hidden things will be revealed to him; he will see behind him; and assume any shape he pleases. 4, Sewadehyney, reading the divine books, remembering the divine attributes, and those actions which lead to Muchat. If he cannot read, he must always have upon his tongue the work Unkar. For these actions the Dewtah, and other celestial spirits, will associate with him, and give him their assistance. 5, Issurpervendhan, making all his endeavours tend to the satisfaction of God. From doing thus, he will derive variety of knowledge.

Assun, fitti g, of which there are eighty-four ways, thirteen of which are esteemed particularly holy, and each has a distinct name. Whosoever practises them, suffers little from cold, heat, hunger, or thirst. They have also for the purposes of the world, thirteen different modes. The author of this work has seen many who practise the austerities of Assun, and has been assonished how they could make their muscles, nerves, and bones, so obedient to their command.

Purranty an, managing the breath; and this is after three ways.

1, Pooruck, stopping the left nostril with the right thumb, and inspiring through the right nostril. 2, Koombuch, inspiring for a considerable time, and then shutting both nostrils with the thumb and little singer of the right hand. Some of this sect can hold their breath for an incredible length of time. 3, Reechek, letting out the breath gently, by removing the thumb from the right, and Vol. III.

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the little finger from the left nostril; that is, they inspire through the right nostril, and respire through the left. When these three actions are done, one Purraniyan is completed. According to some, the breath that comes out of the nostrils does not go above sixteen singers distance, and others say only twelve. From the performance of these actions, Mun obtains rest, and sublime knowledge commences. But these exercises cannot be performed without the instruction of one who is experienced in them. He who performs these exercises must abstain from slesh, spices, acid, and salt, and must content himself with a little milk and rice. He must not cohabit with women, for that would occasion melancholy madness.

PIRTEEYEHAR, the five senses, regaining the exercise of their respective faculties. When Mun is at rest, the senses are locked up, and all things involuntarily become revealed to it.

DEHERNA, the heart defiring folely one object.

Dehyan, not suffering the heart to wander from that object, nor allowing any thing else to enter the heart.

Summader, knowledge and reflection being at an end. At this period Sumpergeeyat ceases, and Assumpergeeyat commences; so that knowledge and Jowg are completed.

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THEY fay, that Jum and Neem are like the feed when fown in the earth; Assur and Purraniyan, when it sprouts above the earth; Purteeyahar resembles the flower; and that Deherna, Dehyan and Summadeh are the fruit. These three are collectively called Sunjum. In this state the person persorms wonderful actions, to the aftonishment of the beholders. This miraculous power is called Hiffoorej, and is of eight kinds. 1, Unima, making himself so small that he can pass through the eye of a needle. 2, Meheema, making himself so tall as to be able to reach his arm to the moon. 3, Lughema, making himself so light as to mount by a sun-beam into the upper regions. 4, Gurrema, making himself as heavy as he pleases. In fome books this is called Purraput, fignifying that he can unite himfelf with any thing he pleafes. 5, Purrakamee, finking into one part of the earth, and coming out of another, like a fwimmer in water. 6, Eyfittoo, creating and destroying. 7, Bistoo, making the elements, and every thing dependent on them, obedient to his command. 8, Kammebyayeetoo, accomplishing whatever he delires. woole water lewis latter date

This relation will not gain credit with men who admit nothing but ordinary appearances; but they who acknowledge the infinite power of God, will not refuse it belief.

THE doctrine of Patenjil is comprised in one Adehya, containing four Churrens, viz. 1, Particular relation of the Jowg. 2, Causes thereof. 3, The different kinds of Infirrej. 4, Of Muckut.

The SCIENCE of JINE.

THE first teacher of this doctrine was the philosopher Jun, whom they also call Arun and Arehnut.

They have the same idea of the Deity as the prosessor of Meymens and Sank. They say, that man is a free agent; and believe that there are suture rewards and punishments. They make the Surglogue to consist of twenty-six divisions, in the uppermost of which dwell God's elect, whose bodies are formed of the indivisible particles. They say, that the elements are one substance. The component parts of the universe they believe to have existed from all eternity, but that the form is new. Some of this sect maintain, that all created beings are from God; others attribute them to time; others to Poorutkeert, or the fruit of good works; and others to Subhow, or a special cause. They do not believe that the whole universe will suffer dissolution; but that of every thing some part will be lest, from whence creation will be renovated.

They use only two predicaments viz. 1. Poorteck, that knowledge which is derived through the five external lenses, Mun and Atma. 2. Purrookuss, that which does not depend upon the senses. Of these they make many subdivisions; however, I shall only mention a few that are most material.

THEY fay there is a fubtle effence in which knowledge refides and illuminates the body, in the same manner as a lamp enlightens a house. And this knowledge has the power of doing good and evil. This power is of two kinds, 1, Atma; and, 2, Jew Atma. The first belongs solely to the Deity, to whom they ascribe four attributes. 1, Anuntgeyan, analytic knowledge. 2, Anuntdirsun, synthetic knowledge. 3, Anuntbeerij, omnipotence. 4, Anuntsook, total rest.

They do not believe in the Owtars, or incarnations of the Deity, but think that men, from their virtuous conduct, become omnificient, and that whatever they fay on the subject of religion or legislation should be considered as the word of God: such an enlightened person they call Sakapirmeysir, of whom they reckon twenty-four. The sirst was named Adnauth, and the last will be called Mahavede, and to each they add the appellative Jun. Of these they relate wonderful stories. The Supreme Being they call Nirgoonpirmeysir.

THE conjunction of ten things produces life, and the absence of any one of them occasions death. The general name for these ten things is Peran. They are the five senses; Mun, speech, assumption of a body, breathing, and existing for a space of time. They reckon sour kinds of animals, 1, Dewtah. 2, Munnook. 3, Narkee. 4, Tirjinj. The first, or Dewtah, are luminous substances, which, by the will of God, are produced without generation. Their bodies have

have neither slesh nor bones, and their breath is persume. They suffer not siekness, nor the infirmities of age. They obtain whatever they desire; can assume a thousand different forms; and walk without touching the earth. These Dewtahs are also of four kinds, and inhabit the upper regions.

They make the universe to be composed of three regions.

1, Munkoologue, the face of the earth, inhabited by the human race. They say, that the surface of the earth is one Raj in length, and the same in breadth; of which sour millions sive hundred thousand jowjuns are inhabited.

2, Petallogue, under the earth, and which is seven Raj in length, and the like in breadth, wanting nine hundred jowjuns.

3, Surglogue, the upper region, which is somewhat less than seven Raj in breadth and length. This region is Paradise, where men, after having assumed paradisical forms, enjoy happiness. This state they call Wymanick. A Raj is such a distance, that if an iron ball, weighing 3½ Akberce seers, were to be let sall, it would be in its descent six months six days and twelve Ghurries.

THE fay, that at the distance of forty-eight cose above the uppermost region is a place resembling chrystal, in length and breath four millions five hundred thousand jowjuns, and in height eight jowjuns; and 35 cose above this, is the holy habitation of Muchut, where men assume luminous forms, and are absorbed in the Deity. The life of a Dewtah is never more than one Pullowpun, nor less than three Sagur. They have all the power of assuming different shapes. The Dewtahs require food, but do not receive nourishment through the mouth. Those who are arrived at the age of ten thousand years, require nourishment every other day, and breathe once, during a time that a man in health would breathe forty-nine times. And as their age advances above ten thousand years, in such proportion of time can they abstain from food, and retain their breath. All the Dewtahs that inhabit the first and second stages of the upper region have sensual commerce, but the semales do not conceive. Those in the higher regions have more refined pleasures. They say that men, in reward for their good actions, become Dewtahs.

The fecond class of animals is Munnookh, who are of two species. 1, Sunnya, those who have the faculty of Mun, or are rational. 2, Assunnya, irrational, being animalcule produced in the slesh, blood, and saliva of men, and whose time of existence does not exceed two hours. Sunnya is again of two species. 1, Those who inhabit this earth, and receive suture rewards and punishments in Paradise and hell, in return for their good and evil actions. 2, Those who will be rewarded merely on account of their charitableness, in the manner hereaster described.

In this earth, there are fifteen grand divisions. From its creation to its dissolution comprises twelve Chuckerwerts, or universal monarchs,

monarchs, with nine Baffdeos and nine Buldeos. The dominions of a Chuckerwert confift of thirty-two thousand kingdoms, with sway over thirty-two monarchs. He has also eight millions four hundred thousand elephants, and the like number of cavalry and chariots, together with four thousand viziers, ninety-two millions of infantry, eight millions four hundred thousand philosophers, three hundred thousand cowrburdars, five hundred thousand torch bearers, thirty millions of muficians, fixty-four thousand wives, one hundred and twenty-eight thousand handmaids, besides possessing sixteen thoufand mines of precious frones, nineteen thoufand gold mines, and one hundred and twenty thousand mines of other metals; and within his empire are fixteen thousand nations of Mileetch, and fixteen capital cities; and, to complete the account, three hundred and fixty millions of cooks, three hundred and fixty of whom are for his own particular use. And besides these they give many other diftinctions. In the present cycle, the first Chuckerwert was Rajah Bhirt, fon of Adnaut, fome of whose family, in reward for their virtuous conduct, are now enjoying Paradife. The nine others, named Baffdeo, are only half Chuckerwerts, and will go into hell; and of this number they account Kifhen. The nine called Buldeo, will poffefs only a fourth of a Chuckerwert. The whole will be subdued by a person named Teertehnkir, who will be spoken of particularly prefently.

Besides the earth inhabited by mankind, there is another very extensive country, the people of which clothe themselves with the

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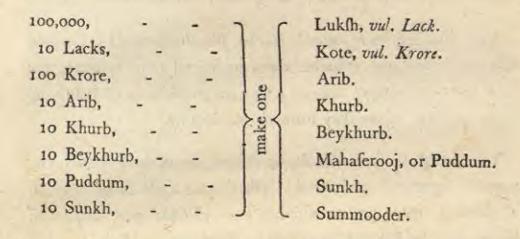
leaves of trees, and feed upon wild fruits, and the earth, which is there very fweet. They are handsome and well behaved. Their stature is from one to three cose. Every male and semale beget a son and a daughter, and then die. When this son and daughter arrive at years of maturity, they become man and wise. Their lives sometimes extend to three Pollowpum. Whosoever has not led a perfect virtuous life in this world, but has bestowed charity, will receive the reward thereof in the territory now described.

THE third species of animals Narkee, like the Dewtahs can assume different shapes, and resemble them in several other respects; but their forms are always hideous; they are inhabitants of the six infernal regions, where they torment one another.

THE fourth kind of animals, or Terjenj, are of three species, viz. aquatic, terrestrial, and aerial. The first are again of five species, 1, Soosmar, those aquatic animals that resemble men, elephants, horses, &c. 2, Every kind of sish. 3, Tortoises. 4, Kerrah, which are animals resembling rope of different lengths. They sasten about the legs of elephants and other animals, and prevent their getting out of the water. 5, Aligators. The second division, or terrestrial, are of three species, viz. quadrupedes; whatever creep upon their bellies, as snakes; and those that go sometimes on two legs as the Mongoofe. The third division, or aerials, are of sour species, 1, Domestic, and that have feathers, as pigeons. 2, Those whose wings are of skin, as bats. The 4th and 5th, who are various, sly in the regions of Dewlahs, and surprizing stories are told of them.

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They explain a *Pollowpum* in the following manner. Take hairs of a *Chugul* infant (which is 4096 times thicker than the hair of an infant of Dehly), split them into indivisible particles, and fill with these a well that measures four cose in width, breadth and depth. At the expiration of every hundred years, take out one of these particles, and when the well is emptied, one *Pollowpum* will be completed.



According to this fect, Muckut cannot be obtained without an union of knowledge and good works, which they exemplify by the following apologue. "Fire fell upon a house in which dwelt a blind man and a cripple, neither of whom could escape without the help of the other; therefore the blind man took the cripple upon his back, to avail himself of his eyes, and in return gave the cripple the use of his legs. Thus by mutual assistance they both got out in safety." But these may be obtained by attending to the instructions of the holy, because that through their savour knowledge is

gained, which is the fource of Byrag, whereby man becomes attached to a life of austerity. Byrag is of twelve kinds. One in this state must observe the following rules: Only to eat at appointed times. Formerly they would live nine months, or a year, without eating any thing solid, but now they cannot exceed fix months. To eat sparingly. Never to ask food at more than five places; and when that is obtained to rest satisfied till next day. To abstain from eating milk, curds, ghee, Sesamé oil, and sweetmeats. In order to reduce the body, to cover himself with sand in the heat of the sun. During the winter to go naked. Drawing up the arms and legs, and sitting on the posteriors. These things must be practised for a long time to produce the desired effect; but there are many who have not power to submit to such austerities.

But by an observance of the following rules a man may soon obtain the object of his wishes. To pay implicit obedience to his Peer. To act as a servant unto those who inslict austerities upon themselves. To study with attention the great books. Frequently to recline his head upon his breast, for not less than two hours continuance. Some of the ancients would keep the head reclined upon the breast for an incredible length of time. The way is, to stretch the arms down both sides, and keep the body free from motion. They have forty-sive great books, twelve of which they call Ung, and which they say are divine, viz. 1, Achar Ung. 2, Soorkirta Ung. 3, Sutchr Ung. 4, Sumwaya Ung. 5. Blegwutty Ung. 6, Matadehremhahta Ung. 7, Oupasuchdesha

Ung. 8, Autguddehdesha Ung. 9, Anutturrowdawaiy Ung. 10, Purrisnubbeakurren Ung. 11, Beepakseth Ung. 12, Hadurutty Ung. There are twelve other books, which they call Owpa Ung; four others named Moolsooter; six others entitled Jeedgurrunth; ten others stilled Pyena; and another which they call Tundysetter.

To a proficient in this doctrine they give the title of Jetty. A noviciate is called Sikh. One who has practifed the austerities for fix months is called Gunnies Sikh. Purwirtekh is the same as Gunnies Sikh, excepting that this is held in higher esteem by his Peer. Sithowr affifts the last, by punishing the refractory, and aiding the helpless. He is also called Rutnadehk and Punniass. Acharij is a person who, for the sake of God, explains with chearfulnels any difficulty that may occur to the noviciates. Owpadehaiy instructs the students in the fignification of any difficult words that occur in the divine books, and in other requifites; his office nearly resembling the Acharij. All these now mentioned preserve nothing but a few clothes, which will be particularized hereafter. Gundhir is one who, by great application, arrives at a high degree of knowledge. He keeps more clothes and books than are necessary for himself, that he may be able to supply students who stand in need of them. He is the representative of the Jun; but the Jun is far more excellent than he, being possesfed of univerfal knowledge; and he is also called Teertehnker. The following is his description: His face is beautiful; his mind superlatively virtuous, and his breath a delightful persume. His discourse

discourse is replete with wisdom. His sless and blood are white. No one ever sees him eat, nor exonerate. He has no bodily infirmity. His hair and nails never grow long. Where-ever he resides no noxious animals approach. Neither is there war, drought, pestilence or famine. And every one of the twenty-four that are to appear will have these qualities.

A Jetty never goes within the hearing of a female voice. He neighter eats flesh, fruits nor sweetmeats; nor dresses any food; drinks nothing but warm water; and never eats nor drinks in the night. He never lights a lamp or any fire in his house. If any thing falls from his hand, he never takes it up again. He only washes such parts of his body as happen to be foul. He never suffers himself to joke, or commit any mean or idle action. He never uses more than the following clothes in summer, a sheet, a blanket, and square piece of cloth of 1½ cubits, which he makes into four folds, and when he speaks applies to his mouth, that no insect may enter it. In the winter he has an additional sheet. He has also a Dehrindigh, which is a broom made of woollen threads, or woollen cloth, fixed in a wooden handle. With this he softly sweeps the ground before he sits down, for fear of killing any insect.

THOSE of this feet who engage in the affairs of the world are called Serawuck. They observe the following rules. Never to injure the innocent. Not to tell untruth on the following occasions, as they consider them as great falsehoods. 1, In bearing witness. 2, In

In breach of truft. 3, In praise, 4, Or dispraise of a virgin. 5, Concerning an ox. Not to foil their hands with dishonesty of any kind. Not to covet another man's wife. To keep only as much wealth as is necessary for the purposes of life, and to bestow the rest in charity. When on a journey to travel daily only stated distances. To calculate the necessary wants of each day, and live accordingly. Not to go where a woman has been burnt with her husband, nor to a place where a malefactor has fuffered death. To fet apart two Ghurries of every day for devotion. To fleep only during the appointed time. To abltain from food and drink, day and night, on the 8th, 14th, 15th, and 28th days of the moon, and the next morning to feed the poor before breaking the fast. Every night before he goes to fleep, to examine himself upon the above eleven points. The following is their description of a virtuous man. He is one that constantly attends to the reading of the divine books; bestows charity; makes it a rule to praise the virtuous; never speaks ill of any one; and is particularly respectful in his conversation concerning princes. He marries one who is his equal. He is ever afraid of doing evil. Where-ever he dwells he conforms to the laws of the land. He chooses an habitation that is neither very publick, nor totally feeluded from fociety. His house hath not more than two or three doors and windows. He fettles in a good neighbourhood, and affociates with the virtuous. He is dutiful to his father and mother. He flies from that city or country which is invaded by foreign troops. He regulates his expences by his income; and drelles fuitable to his rank in life. He fludies the divine books,

and follows their precepts implicity. He never eats but at stated meals. He is not covetous of riches. He is affable and charitable to a guest, a Jetty, and those who are sick. He is not vain of his person, nor of his words. He is desirous of being instructed in every profession. He travels not at improper times, nor in a country where he cannot exercise his religion. He never engages in a war, without knowing whether he is going against his friends or his enemies. He partakes in the missfortunes of his relations. He has a grateful sense of favours conferred on him. His deportment is pleasing to every one. He is diffident in his manner, courteous to all, and upright in every transaction of his life. He exerts himself in the affairs of others; and keeps sensual gratifications under the command of reason.

THERE are, however, some general prohibitions, which are observed both by the Jetty and the Serawuck, To abstain from slesh, spirituous liquors, honey, butter, opium, snow, ice, and hail; every thing that grows beneath the earth; all fruits whose names are unknown; and whatever fruits contain small seeds; and from eating at night.

THE doctrine of Jine is also of two kinds, Seateaneer, and Digneer. The author of the Ayeen Akbery, having been intimately acquainted with the learned of the Seateaneer, has been able to relate their tenets in an ample manner. The second, or Digneer, go quite naked. They maintain, that women cannot arrive at the

state of Muckut. They say, that whosoever obtains the blessing of Muckut in this world, ceases to require food from that time. They, however, agree with the Seateaneer in many points; but as the author had no intimacy with any of this class, so he has not been able to write any farther account of them.

FROM the most ancient times down to the present, the learning and wisdom of Hindostan, has been confined to the Brahmins and the followers of Jine, but, ignorant of each others merits, they have a mutual aversion. Kishen, whom the Brahmins worship as God, these consider as an infernal slave. The Brahmins carry their aversion so far as to say, that it is better to encounter a mad elephant, or a surious lion, than to meet a man of this persuasion.

THE defire of establishing truth has induced his Majesty to illumine the world with universal peace and unanimity; whereby the darkness of error being now in some degree dispelled, men of different persuasion quit the narrow paths of prejudice, and associate together.

The DOCTRINE of BOODH.

BOODH, who first taught this religion, has various names, and amongst them Shakmun, and Shakmuny. His followers believe, that by means of his good actions he gained perfect knowledge; and at length arrived at the flate of Muckut. His father was Rajah Siddown, prince of Bahar, and his mother, named Maia, was delivered of him through her navel. At his birth there shone forth a wonderful light; the earth trembled; and the water of the Ganges rose and fell in a most astonishing manner. The very hour he was born, he walked feven steps, and discoursed with an eloquence that ravilhed the hearts of his hearers. The aftrologers foretold, that after twenty years and feven days, he would become a monarch; but that despising the world, he would prefer retirement, and introduce a new religion. In the manner, and precisely at the time predicted by the altrologers, it came to pass that he turned his mind from the affairs of the world, and made choice of a life of retirement. He visited Benaris, Rajgird, and several other fire temples. He then travelled to Cashmeer, where he made many profelytes; and he also gained for his followers people of Hind, the feaports, Tibbet and Khatai. From his birth to this time, which is the 40th year of his Majelty's reign, is a period of 2962 years. They fay that he had the gift of prophecy; and could change the course of nature. He died at the age of one hundred and twenty years. The learned among the Perlians and Arabians call the priefts of this religion Bukshee, and in Tibber they are stiled Lama. For a long VOL III.

long time past there have not been any traces of them, excepting in Peigu, Dehnasiry, and Tibbet.

THE third time that the author followed the imperial stirrup to the delightful territory of Cashmeer, he met with some old men of this religion; but he never saw any of their learned; nor did he discover any thing like what is described by Hasez Abroo and Benagutty.

THE Brahmins call Boodh the ninth Owtar; but affert that the religion which is afcribed to him, is false, and sabricated by some other person.

THE following is all that is known of this religion. They believe that God has never been defiled by incarnation. And like the professors of Sank, Meymansa, and Jine, do not consider him to be the creator of the universe. They say, that it has neither beginning nor end; but that it vanishes, and then appears again in its original form; and thus time after time.

THE priess of this religion shave their heads, and wear dresses of leather and red cloth; they use frequent ablutions; will not resuse any kind of food that is offered them; and whatever dies of itself they consider to be killed by God, and therefore eat it. They have no commerce with women. They will not kill any animal; neither root up nor cut any plant, because they think it

has life. They hold fix things to be highly meritorious; 1, Subduing anger; 2, Improvement of the understanding; 3, Bestowing money in charity; 4, The study of theology; 5, Boldness in afferting their own rights; 6, Continual comtemplation of the Deity. They reckon three things to be the means of good; 1, Knowledge. 2, Disinterestedness. 3, Pleased at the success of others. They say that good and evil proceed from eleven things, viz. the five senses, and their saculties, and Mun.

THEY use four predicaments in argument, which are collectively called Arifutter.

The First PREDICAMENT,

DOOKH, and which is of five kinds; 1, Geeyan, worldly knowledge; 2, Weedineh, receiving reward or punishment; 3, Sunkeyna, the names and properties of things; 4, Sunka, the conjunction of Dehrem and Adherem; 5, Roop.

The Second PREDICAMENT,

Is Summeddee, the causes of desire and anger. By means of this power a man says " I am, and this is mine."

The Third PREDICAMENT,

MARIK, to be accustomed to believe that the universe is continually disappearing, and re-appearing.

The Fourth PREDICAMENT,

NERODE, the flate of rest which Mun enjoys when it is going to enter into Muckut. The following negative and positive duties

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Abstaining from evil, which is killing, molesting, stealing, uncleanness, lying, speaking ill to the good, seeking what is unprofitable, bad inclinations; and affociating with those of a different religion.

The following are also indispensable duties. Respect for his Peer and teacher; venerating the Idols; neither to be elated by praise, nor depressed by reproach; to sit in a particular manner; to frequent the temples, which they call Chieses; to place no more than a proper value on the things of the world; and to strive to obtain Jowg, in the manner described in Paterfil; to have implicit belief in the words of his Peer; to waste the mind and body by suffering austerities; not to suffer the heart to dwell upon any subject but the contemplation of the Deity; to improve in knowledge; and perform those exercises by which Muchut is obtained.

THEY fay, that knowledge has two causes; r, Whatever is obtained by means of the senses; 2, Whatever is gained by proofs.

This fect are of four tribes; 1, Webhakelek, who admit the existence of knowledge and things; 2, Sootranitk, who consider all things to be only the imagination of the senses; 3, Jookaja, who believe that nothing exists but knowledge; things being only the various forms thereof; 4, Medbeemuck, who call knowledge and things Sun, or a cypher; and they never argue upon their existence, or non-existence.

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THE followers of the doctrine of Boodh have many books on every science, but they value most Natural Philosophy, Ethicks, and Theology.

NASTICK.

CHARBAG, an ignorant Brahmin, was the inventor of this doctrine. The Brahmins call this feet Nastich.

THEY say that nothing exists but the elements; and that all knowledge is obtained through the senses. They do not believe in a God. They say that Paradise is man being in that state which is most pleasing to him, and totally independent of every one; and that hell is being subject to the command of another.

THEY fay that all men defire only four things, 1, riches; 2, women; 3, a good name; 4, good actions. They admit only of such sciences as are serviceable in this life, and preser before all others the equitable administration of good laws.

This doctrine resembles that of the Greek sophists. They have written many books in reproach of others; but which serve as monuments of their own ignorance.

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The EIGHTEEN BIDDYA, or SCIENCES.

HAVING given a fummary account of the nine tribes, I shall proceed in the same manner to treat of what is admitted by the Brahmins, and others of the six sirst mentioned tribes. They say that whosoever is completely versed in these eighteen Byddya, has reached the perfection of knowledge.

The four first Biddyas are, 1, Rig Bede; 2, Jejir Bede; 3, Sam Bede; 4, Atherbun Bede. These they consider to be divine books. Something has been said of them already. Each of these books contain four things; 1, Bidh, whatever is to be done; 2, Art-hwid, the praise and reward thereof; 3, Munter. The incantations and implorations which are profitable on every occasion; 4, Mamedehee, explanation of great and indispensable duties. Each of these again have three objects; 1, Kurrum, the approved actions of the visible world. 2, Owpasna, faith in God. 3, Geeyan, the knowledge of God.

The Fifth BIDDYA, or POORAN.

THERE are eighteen large books to which they apply this title; and which contain explanations of the Bedes under the five following heads; 1, The creation of the universe; 2, The dissolution thereof; 3. The several relations of the different parts of the universe; 4, The nature of the sourteen Mowmunters. These are sourteen holy spirits, who during the whole age of Brahma will appear successively, and go-

vern the world. The length of the life of each will be feven times four Jowgs. A complete revolution of the four Jowgs is four million three hundred and twenty thousand years. And in like manner there will be fourteen *Indres*, their companions. They say that during the life of Brahma, fourteen *Dewtahs* will reign over the upper regions successively. The relation of their exploits, in return for which this high dignity is conferred on them, and the history of the renowned monarchs of the earth, are contained in these *Poorans*.

TITLES of the POORANS.

Sutfee; Maikundee; Bhowkee; Bhagwut; Birlimliyuret; Berhamund; Birhum; Ba-iy; Bamun; Bishen; Barah; Agun; Nardeenee; Puddum; Ling; Gowrum; Sogund; and Kunrer; all produced by the enlightened wildom of the philosopher Byass.

OWPPOORAN are eighteen commentaries on the Poorans. Some give them the following names, Sunthomar originally called Soor, from the person who composed it. Owppooran signifies what is not in the Pooran, therefore each commentary is called after its respective Pooran; Narsing; Shewdherem; Deorwass; Kupeel; Manies (called also Bhirmahand); Kalee and Kalka; Maheysir Nard; Shamneb; Adtee; Peraseree; Bhagwut; and Gowrum.

The Sixth B I D D Y A.

DEHREM SHASTER, is the doctrine of virtuous actions. This is extracted from the Bedes, and there is a commentary upon it.

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The Debrem Shafter, which is also called Simrut, confiss of fixteen parts. There are three principal matters in three books; 1, The respective religious worship of the four tribes; 2, The art of medicine; 3, The remedies for fins.

THE EIGHTEEN SIMRUT; 1, Mun; 2, Jahun; 3, Wulkee; 4. Uttre; 5, Unkera; 6, Oofhna; 7, Gotum; 8, Purrafhir; 9, Sunkh-lukkut; 10, Bishen; 11, Hareeynt; 12, Beisheesht; 13, Jum; 14, Kutp; 15, Abestump; 16, Katbayin; 17, Birhisput; 18; Byass; and some add Dutch.

Names of the eighteen Owpfinrut, or commentaries on the Simrut; 1, Unkera; 2, Jubal; 3, Machalt; 4, Sugard; 5, Lookaksh; 6, Kushup; 7, Byass; 8, Sunthomar; 9, Shuttez; 10 Zunh; 11, Weeakher; 12, Katyayin; 13, Zatker ee; 14, Kubpunjil; 15, Boodyayen; 16, Kenad; 17, Bishwametre; 18, Summent.

The Seventh BIDDY A.

SHIKSHA, the places of the letters, whether Guttrals, Labials, &c.

The Eighth BIDDY A.

Kulp is a book containing explanations of the ten ceremonies required to be performed from the day of marriage, till his fon puts on the cord. They are treated in the following order; 1, The receiving of marriage. 2, Cohabiting with the wife. 3, From the

commencement of pregnancy to the fifth month; 4, From the 6th to the 8th month; 5, At the time of birth; 6, Giving the name; 7, Exposing the child to the sun; 8, Weaning him; 9, Shaving his head; 10. Giving him the cord. Each of these requires particular prayers and ceremonies.

The Ninth BIDDY A.

VEAKERN, comprises grammar, syntax, and etymology. It also treats of the composition of letters. They reckon sifty letters which are divided into three kinds; 1, the source Sur (vowel), letters that have distinct sounds of themselves, and which are also used to accent other letters; 2, thirty three letters called Punchun (confonants), which cannot be sounded alone; 3, sive others called Unusewa, Bissergeh, Jubhamool, Gujkumbhakirt, and Ardehbund. The first is like the Persian if the second is like is, the third is between the letters o and z and is always a final. The fourth is a mute nearly like o and is always a medial; the fifth is somewhat like a nasal if.

THE Hindoos reckon the following parts for the utterance of letters, the breaft, the root of the tongue, the teeth, the nofe, the palate, the lips, and the crown of the head.

The Tenth BIDDY A.

NEERKUT, the contents of the Bedes.

· The Eleventh BIDDY A.

JOWTICK, aftronomy and aftrology.

The Twelfelt BIDDY A.

CH-HUND, of the different kinds of verse. The first six Biddyas are called Ung, which signifies whatever is necessary to be known for comprehending the Bedes.

The Thirteenth BIDDY A.

MEYMANSA, of the three fects of which fomething has been faid.

The Fourteenth BIDDY A.

NEE-AIY, which has been treated fummarily among the sciences.

Many believe that the knowledge of these fourteen Biddyas are sufficient for obtaining Muchut. But some add the following.

The Fifteenth BIDDY A.

IYRBEDE, the art of preferving health; and what remedies to apply to different diseases. This is taken from the Rig, or first Bede.

The Sixteenth BIDDY A.

DEHNERBEDE, the art of managing the bow and arrow, and other arms. This is taken from the Jejir, or second Bede.

The Seventeenth B. I D D Y A.

GANDHRIB, the art of mulick, comprising composition, singing, and playing. This is taken from the Sam, or third Bede.

The Eighteenth BIDDY A.

ART-H-SHASTER, how to acquire wealth, and the manner of employing it to advantage. This is taken from the Atherbun, or fourth Bede. These last five Biddyas are collectively called Owp-bede.

OTHER ARTS.

In the extensive empire of Hindostan there are so many arts that they cannot be described. Something, however, shall be said of them, which may prove an acceptable present to the curious enquirer, and perhaps excite his further curiosity.

KURREMBEYPAK.

Thus is a furprizing art, in which all the fix feets perfectly agree. By it can be discovered whatever was done by men in their former state of existence, and it prescribes a particular expiation for each erime. This art is of four kinds.

THE FIRST KIND shews in what manner a man has conducted himself in his former state of existence:

A REHTERES who lives virtuously, when he is born again transmigrates into a Brahmin. A Byess, who forfeits his life for the fake of a Brahmin, transmigrates into a Kehleree. A Sooder, who lends money without interest, and never distresses his creditor for payment, will be a Byess. A Milestch who serves a Brahmin, and eats of

his food till the time of his death, will become a Sooder. A Brahmin who acts the part of a Kehteree will become a Kehteree. A Kehteree, who descends to the offices of a Byess, will become a Byess; and thus a Byess a Sooder, and a Sooder a Mileetch. Also whosoever accepts of the donation called Kishnes, or accepts in alms the bed which a person died upon, or a Bussaloe, or whatever is bestowed in the temple of Kurkhet, will, in the next life, from being a man, become a woman. And any woman, or Mileetch, who sees the image of Narayin, in the temple of Bidreenarayin, and performs certain incantations, in the next birth, the woman will become a man, and the Mileetch a Brahmin. This temple is in the northern mountains, a great way beyond Hirdewar.

THE SECOND KIND. The different diseases of the human body, which are punishments for crimes committed in a former state; and the various ceremonies for procuring health.

Physicians say, that sickness originates in the animal constitution; but those skilled in the art we are now treating of maintain it to be a punishment for crimes committed in a former state. The Hindoo philosophers divide bodily diseases into three kinds; 1, Those that can be cured by medicines; 2, Those to be removed by certain ceremonies; 3, And those that require the application of both methods. In order to discover each, they describe three kinds of crimes, viz. what were done whilst awake intentionally or unintentionally; and what were committed during sleep. They have volumes upon this art which they consult, and consider physicians as useless.

THE HEADACH is a punishment for having in a former state spoken irreverently to father or mother. Cure: Let him make of two tolahs of gold the images of Kushup and Adit, and considering them to be the representations of the father and mother of the Dewtahs, give them to the needy.

Madress is a punishment for disobedience to father, mother, or Peer. Cure: Let him perform Chanderayin, which is to eat on the first day only one mouthful; two mouthfuls during the second day, and thus continue increasing a mouthful every day, for a month; and then decreasing gradually a mouthful on each day, till he leaves off as he began. Or let him make Kushup and Adit each of two tolahs of gold, and give them to the poor.

THE EPILEPSY is a punishment for having administered poison to any one, at the command of his master. Cure: Bestowing in charity two such images as last described, together with a cow, thirty-two seers of sesamé seed, and repeating some incantations in the name of Mahadeo.

PAIN IN THE EYES is a punishment for having coveted another man's wife. Cure: Performing the fast of Chanderayin.

BLINDNESS is a punishment for having killed his mother. This person, before his new birth, will suffer many years torments in hell. Cure: Personning the ceremony of Parajaputty which is of sive kinds.

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feeding twelve Brahmins. 4. Or throwing into the fire ten thoufand times a mixture of fefame feed, ghee, honey, and fugar. 5. Or
going barefooted to a temple, for the distance of a Jowjun. Or let
him make a boat after the following description: the boat of four
tolahs of gold, the mast of silver, and six oars of copper; and bestow it in charity. But if it should be a panishment for having
only acted in contradiction to the commands of his father or mother, let him make the images of Kushup and Adit, as before described.

Domenness is a punishment for having killed his fifter. Cure: Let him form a cow of the following description: the body four tolahs of gold; the hoofs two tolahs of filver; the hump two or three mathas of copper. This, with a vessel of brass for the milk, he must give in charity, and for one week eat nothing but a mixture of milk, curds, ghee, and cow's urine and dung.

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THE BELLYACH is a punishment for having eaten with a perfon of a different religion, or with a liar. Cure: Fasting three days, and giving away in charity twelve tolahs of filver.

THE STONE is a punishment for having committed incest with his mother. Cure: Performing the ceremony of Mudhoodheen, which is as follows: he must conceive in his imagination that the following articles form a complete cow, viz. that four vessels, each containing

taining one and a quarter maund, filled with honey, represent her body; one tolah of gold her mouth; four seers of sugar-candy her teeth; two pearls her eyes; two pieces of signum aloes her horns; two plantains her ears; wheat flour her dugs; three seers of sugar-cane for each leg; a white woolden cloth thrown over the whole her hide; skeins of filk the tail. The hoofs of this cow must be of silver, and her neck be covered with two pieces of red cloth; in the front must be set a copper vessel; and eight seers of four different kinds of grain formed into a heap. Near her must be placed a vessel full of honey to represent her eals, and copper vessels full of seed. When these are completed, he must repeat certain incantations, worship them, and afterwards bestow them in charity.

LAMENESS is a punishment for having kicked a Brahmin Cure: Let him make one tolah of gold into the form of a horse, and bestow it in charity; and give food to one hundred and eight Brahmins.

A FEVER is a punishment for killing an innocent Kehteree. Cure: Repeating one hundred times the incantation of Mahadeo; feeding thirteen Brahmins; and sprinkling with water the image of Mahadeo, one hundred times.

A COUGH is a punishment for killing a Brahmin. Cure: Making a lotus of four tolahs of gold, and, after repeating certain incantations, performing with it the ceremony of Howm, and giving it to a righteous Brahmin.

FLUX is a punishment for having killed his wife, without her having committed any fault. Cure: Performing the ceremony of Kishnajun, which is spreading a deer skin, and laying upon it a heap of selamé seed, and one hundred tolahs of gold, or more; repeating certain incantations, and performing the Howm. It is considered as a very wicked action to accept of this charity.

THE ASTHMA is a punishment for having accepted of the Kishnajun. Cure: Make a buffaloe of iron, with horns of lead, and the
forehead of stone. Load it with keneer slowers, cover it with a
black blanket, and give it in charity, together with three and half
maunds of mash.

INDIGESTION is a punishment for having robbed a house.

Cure: Let him bestow in charity the following articles; a house and furniture; seven kinds of grain; of each thirty-two seers; a handmill; a pestle and mortar; drinking vessels; a stove; a broom; a cow; and money according to his circumstances.

THE THIRD KIND, for what crimes committed in a former life; a woman has no children during her present existence; and other particulars.

A WOMAN whose husband dies before her, in her former state was of a great family, which she left to live with a stranger, and when he died burnt herself with him. Cure: She must pass all her life in austerities, or put an end to her existence by burying herself in snow.

A woman who does not menstruate, is punished for the following action: once in a former state when she had her customs, some neighbouring children came into her house to play, but she was angry, and drove them away. Care: Let her fill an earthen vessel with water from one hundred wells, throw into it a beetle-nut, a masha of gold, and perfumes; and then give it to a Brahmin. She must also give sive, or seven, or nine, or eleven kinds of fruit to children to eat.

A woman whose child dies soon after its birth, is punished for having in her former existence exposed a child, and who died. This, although it be common practice in Hindostan, is nevertheless very nesarious. Cure: Make a cow, the body of sour tolahs of gold, the hoofs of one tolah of silver, a jewel for her tail, brass-bells on her neck; together with a calf of one tolah of gold, and half a tolah of silver for its hoofs, then bestow them in charity.

A woman who has only daughters, is punished for having possessed a great deal of pride in her former existence, and not shewing proper respect to her husband. Cure: Let her plate the horns of a white ox with four tolahs of gold, and the hoofs with four tolahs of silver, and cover the hump with one and a quarter tolah of copper; which she must bestow in charity, with a vessel made of two and half seers of brass; besides satisfying with food one hundred Brahmins. Or she must make ten mashas of gold into the form of the Deity, and after performing certain incantations, give it in charity, and feed fifty Brahmins.

A woman who has only one fon, in her former existence took a call for its parent cow. Cure: Giving away a milch cow, with ten tolahs of gold.

A WOMAN whose son dies, and daughter lives, in her former state killed animals. Some say it is only for having killed goats.

Cure: Performing the fast of Chanderayin, giving away a cow, and feeding sifty Brahmins.

A WOMAN who is pregnant for fixteen years, without being delivered, in her former state was burnt when pregnant. Cure: Bestowing the charity of Hurrenkhereb.

Being a maid fervant, is a punishment for having had criminal connection with the husband of another in her former existence, and having burnt herself with him. Cure: If she is in the house of a Soodre, let her go to the house of a Byess, then pass to that of a Kehteree, and last to that of a Brahmin, and remain in his service till her death.

THE FOURTH KIND of riches and poverty, &c. Whosoever bestows charity at the appointed times, such as during the eclipses of the sun and moon, in his next state of existence will be rich and bountiful. Whosoever at these times goes to any holy place, particularly Ilahabass, and there deprives himself of life, will possess great store of wealth in his next state.

WHOSOEVER

WHOSOEVER when he is hungry, and has food before him, upon hearing the voice of a beggar, gives the whole to him, will in his next life be very rich, and successful in all his undertakings.

But whosoever refuseth to do so, will in the present life be poor and unlucky. Cure: To whatever tribe he belongs let him religiously perform the duties thereof, and also during the time of eclipses visit Koorkheyt, and bury in the ground, by way of oblation, a piece of gold, if it be but one masha.

On each of the four kinds of this art, they have written books, describing the symptoms and remedies. What I have related is only an abstract.

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Is the art of predicting events, by observing in what manner the breath iffues through the nostrils.

THE breath comes out of the nostrils after three ways. First, when it comes mostly out of the lest nostril. This they attribute to the influence of the moon, and call Adda and Chandernaree. The second, when it issues most from the right nostril, which they attribute to the influence of the sun, and therefore call Soorejnarce and Pingela. The third, is when both nostrils breathe equally, which they call Sookhmurna and Soombhoonarea.

THE following is the order in which the breath ought to palsthrough the nose: from Perwa to the third Teth, Chandernaree, and the fame number of days Sooremare, alternately throughout the month. Others make it weekly thus, Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, Soorejnarce; and Monday, Wednelday, and Friday, Chandernarce. Others maintain, that it is regulated by the fun's course through the Zodiack, Aries beginning with Soorejnarce, Tauruswith Chandernarce, and thus alternately through all the figns. All' the learned of the Hindoos believe, that if a man breathes differently from one of these three ways, some misfortune will befall him. That if the irregularity lasts two days, a quarrel will ensue. If it continues ten days, some missortune will besall his wife. If siteen, days, he will have a fevere fit of fickness. If for a month, his brother will die. Others speak thus of the irregularities of breathing. If for a day and night Soorejnarce is in excess, the person will die at the expiration of a year. If it lasts two days and nights he will live two years, and fo a year for every day. If the excels continues fora month he will die at the end of the enfuing month. For the excels of Chandernaree, they fay if it lasts a day and night, that perfon will have a fit of fickness at the expiration of a year, and according to the number of days he will be fo many years fick.

The Manner of Predicting Events by the Knowledge of this Art.

Is any one comes to enquire whether a woman who is pregnant shall be delivered of a boy or a girl, the person who is to answer must examine the nostrils of the questioner. If he breathes more through

one nostril than the other, and stands on that side, it shall foretell a son; but if he happens to place himself on the opposite side, it shall indicate that it will be a daughter. If he breathes equally through both nostrils, there will be twins. Some believe that if the questioner stands on the Soorejnaree side it will be a boy, and if on the Chandernaree a daughter; and that if it be Sookhmunna it denotes an hermaphrodite.

Is an enquiry is made concerning a person who is sick, if the questioner stands on the Soorejnarce side, the sick person will die; but if he stands on the Chandernarce side, he will recover.

If it be enquired whether or not an enemy's army will come, if the questioner is Chandernaree and stands on that side, the army will come; but if he is Soorejnaree and stands on that side, it will not come.

Is he enquires concerning peace and war, Chandernaree implies the first, and Soorejnaree the last.

A K U M,

TEACHES what incantations are advantageous, and what are burtful, what will improve the understanding, increase rank and fortune, cure diseases, subdue enemies, cement friendship, insure the conquest of countries, and advance the success of government.

INDER

SHOOGUN,

SHOOGUN,

Is the art of discovering what is now happening, and predicting future events, by observing the motions of birds. This is an art in which many Hindoos are skilled.

THE learned Hindoos discover hidden things, by means of five things, 1, Astrology. 2, Sur. 3, Shoogun. 4, Keywul, which are omens learnt by throwing dice. 5, Samdirg, predicting from obferving the form of the members and their motions, the lines and moles on the body.

GARUD,

Is the art of repeating certain incantations for recovering a perfon who has been flung by a fcorpion, a fnake, or any other venomous reptile. This is done by repeating his genealogy, and praifing his ancestors, which obliges the animal to present itself. The following is a wonderful fact. When they have caught an old fnake of a particular species, they repeat certain incantations, and then make it bite a Brahmin. When the poison takes effect, the Brahmin continues for some time in a state of stupefaction, when upon any questions being put to him, he gives answers that are invariably found to be true. The Flindoo philosophers believe, that during the revolution of the Cal Jourg, nothing is truer than fuch answers. And these answers have been collected together into several volumes. RHOOCKE

I N D E R J A L

Is the arts of Necromancy, Talifmans, and Slight of Hand, in which they are wonderful beyond description.

RUSSBIDDYA,

TEACHES how to kill quickfilver, gold, filver, copper, and other metals; and it also comprises Alchymy.

RUTTENPURETCHA,

Is the art of judging of precious stones, their properties, and value.

KAM SHASTER,

TREATS of the generation of the human race.

SAHTEE,

Is the art of writing with elegance, and the skilful use of irony. Thus, a woman sent a handmaid to call her husband, who when she came to him used criminal familiarity with her; and sent back an excuse to his wife for not coming home. The disordered state of the girl's dress, evidently discovered what had happened. But the wife being a woman of prudence, and having regard for her husband's character, disguised her anger; but reprimanded the girl in the following ironical manner: "You have told a lie; "you did not go to my husband, but idly went and bathed your-

" felf in the river; for behold the Sirmah " is out of your eyes, and " the fandal ointment is no longer upon your body." By this delicate irony, the discovered to the girl that she was not ignorant of what had really happened. This art also treats of Nowrufs, or the nine human inclinations. First, Singarrufs, the friendship between man and woman, and the consequences of connection and separation. Second, Haffurufs, the different kinds of laughter which they fay is excited either by changes in the boy or drefs, or by actions. Laughter is of three kinds. 1, Simt, a little alteration in the checks, eyes, and lips. 2, Wehrut, opening the mouth. 3, Aphuft, loud laughter. Third, Kurrenrufs, grief. Fourth, Razudre, anger. Fifth, Veer, joy. Sixth, Bheyaneck, fear. Seventh, Behbutch, aversion. Eighth, Adhowt, amazement. Ninth, Sant, or that kind of happiness which is obtained by knowledge, when the mind is freed from enmity and partiality. Of these they make many fubdivisions, which they illustrate with delightful stories.

SAHTEE,

Also contains a description of the different kinds of men and women that excite love and friendship. In Turan and Iran, friendship is chiefly described by the poets, as subsisting between men; but in Hindostan it is celebrated between man and woman. The Hindoo philosophers call woman Naeykha, and make the sex to consist of several kinds. Sewaya, a virtuous woman, who loves

^{*} A preparation of antimony, with which they tinge the eyebrows, eyelashes, and corners of the eyes.

her husband: she is so modest that no man can discover her looking at him: she never laughs loud, nor smiles so as to show her teeth: speaks seldom and always in a low tone; is never in a passion; and never goes out of doors, even if she has the opportunity. Pirheya, one who is wanton, but carries on her intrigues with secrecy; if she is married, they call her Purredba, and if single Kunneka, Samaneya has no passion but the desire of wealth.

SEWAYA is again divided into three kinds, viz. Mokdha, one who in her youth betrays figns of wantonnels, but flies from the embraces of her husband. This happens from eight to eighteen years. Muddheya, is modest, and has a great affection for her hufband, and never mentions his name in anger. This state lasts to the age of thirty-two years. Pirgulbha, makes her own defires and knowledge fubservient to the will of her husband, and captivates him by her wife conduct. This is from thirty-two till fifty. The two last mentioned are moreover of three kinds. Dheera, if her husband attaches himself to another woman, she becomes jealous and disturbed, but increases her affection and assiduity, and thereby reclaims him, by making him ashamed of himself. Adheena, difcovers her uneafiness, and attacks her husband with irony, as for example. " It is aftonishing that from your want of sleep, my " eyes should be thus inflamed; and that by your having drank " wine, my heart should be intoxicated." Dheera Adheera, unites both these dispositions.

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PIRKEYA, is of five kinds. Goombpulta, conceals her indifcretions by feigning plaufible excuses. Thus, being scratched with the nail of her lover she says, "A cat ran over me last night in bed, and in attempting to catch a mouse gave me this scratch." Weedugdha, is pleasing in her conversation, and possesses every semale accomplishment. Lecheta, bestows her savours without shame. Kulletta, prostitutes her person, merely for the sake of vice. Unneseyana, has the inclination to intrigue, but is prevented by timidity.

They also class women in the following manner. Poorookhit-bhertika, one who is inconsolable for the absence of her husband, and cannot rest on account of her apprehensions for his safety. This again is of several kinds. Khundita, is inconsolable for her lover having proved faithless. Kulhentreta, is forry for having discovered her passion for her lover, and strives to remedy her indiscretion. Beypirlubdha, is one who goes to an appointed place, and does not find her lover there. Ootka, is forrowful for the disappointment, and seeks the cause of his not having come. Basuchpja, is making joyful preparations for the arrival of her lover. Sewadheenseetka, is she who has powerful ascendency over her lover. Abhesareeka, she who calls her lover to her, or goes to him.

The following is another method of classing women. Ootema, whose husband does not love her, whilst she is distractedly fond of him. Adhima, the contrary. Mudhima, is sometimes in friendship, and sometimes in enmity, with her husband.

ANOTHER division. Pudminnee, an incomparable beauty, with a good disposition; she is tall, and well proportioned; has a melodious tone of voice; talks little; her breath resembles a rose; she is chaste; and obedient to her husband. Chittrunnee, something inferior to the other in beauty of face; is neither fat nor lean; has a small waist, and full breast. Sunktonee, is fat and short, of a violent temper, and is always quarrelling with her husband. Hessee, worse in appearance and temper than the last. Of these they treat at length, and allot each to particular kind of men.

MAN, a wife who is difrespectful to her husband; and this they reckon of four kinds. 1, Lugh, she who assumes consequence upon her husband shewing her a little affection. 2, Muddhee, she who after suffering a little trouble, gives up her affection for him. 3, Goor, looses her affection after suffering a great deal. 4, Russables, who resules comfort, and lessens her affection.

MAN, they call Nayick, and describe three kinds. 1, Put, one who marries an Hindoo wife. 2, Owpupt, he who defiles himself by marrying a woman of another religion. 3, Bisheyek, a fornicator. And each of these are again of three kinds. 1, Unkole, is he who has only one wife. 2, Dutchen, has several wives, but agrees with them all. 3, Dhisht, has only one wife, who uses him ill, which only serves to increase his affection.

SAKHEE, is a faithful maid-fervant, whose master and mistress have perfect reliance upon her fidelity, and take her advice upon

all occasions. She amuses her mistress when on a journey, assists in putting on her ornaments, and if there happens any family misunderstanding, she endeavours to effect a reconciliation. Such a mediatrix is called *Dootee*; and if a man *Doot*.

SAHTEE also comprises rules for behaviour, exemplified by pleafing tales, which may be consulted at length by those who are defirous of being farther informed on this head.

SUNGEET,

Is the art of vocal and instrumental musick; together with that of dancing.

The rules thereof are comprised in seven books, viz. First, Soor, the nature of sound which is of two kinds; Annahut, a sound without any earthly cause, and which they consider to have existed from all eternity after the following manner. When a man closes the orifices of his ears with his singers, he perceives an inward noise, to which they give this name. They say this proceeds from Brahma, and that it cannot be heard without stopping the ears, till a man is in the state of Muchut, when it becomes part of his nature. Ahut, a found which proceeds from a cause which, like speech, they consider to be an accident of air, occasioned by percussion. They say that Providence has given every man twenty-two nerves, extending from the belly to the crown of the head, through which the air passes from the navel upwards; and according as these nerves are employed forcibly or weakly, in such degree, is the sound uttered.

The air does not pass through the sisth, sixth, eighteenth and nine-teenth nerves, consequently they are mute; but the sound uttered through the others, they divide into seven kinds, in the following order. 1, Surj, is like the voice of the peacock, and which is produced by the fourth nerve. 2, Righbeh, is like the voice of the Peepeeheh, a bird resembling the Sar, which sings in the rainy season. It is in compass from the seventh to the tenth nerve. 3, Gandhar, is like the bleating of a goat, and reaches from the ninth to the thirteenth nerve. 4, Mudhen, is like the voice of the crane, and reaches from the thirteenth to the fixteenth nerve. 5, Punchem, is like the voice of the bird called the Koyil, and reaches the seventh nerve. 6, Dehwut, is like the voice of the lizard, and reaches from the eighth to the twenty-second. 7, Nikhad, is like the noise of the elephant, and reaches from the twenty-second to the third.

An air which contains all these seven Soors, they call Sunpoorun.

If it has six, Kahdow. If sive, Owdub; and no air has sewer. But the Tan (or symphony) may be composed of two.

SECOND ADHYA, Ragbibeekai, the modes and their variations.

They say, that singing was invented by Mahadeo and Purbutty. That the first had sive mouths, from each of which issued a musical mode in the following order: 1, Sree Rag; 2, Bussuet; 3, Behrowng; 4, Punchem; 5, Megh. To these they add Nutnarain, which they attribute to Purbutty. These six modes they call Rag, and each has several variations; but the six following are what are most common.

VARIATIONS OF SREE RAG, 1, Malwee; 2, Tirowenee; 3, Gow-ree; 4, Keydaree; 5, Maddeemadwee; 6, Beharee.

VARIATIONS OF BUSSUNT, 1, Deyfee; 2, Deogurree; 3, By-ratty; 4, Towree; 5, Lellita; 6, Hindowlee.

VARIATIONS OF BEHROWNG. 1, Behrowng; 2, Muddehmad; 3, Bihrowee; 3, Bungalee; 4, Biratka; 5, Sindawee; 6, Poonargeya.

VARIATIONS OF PUNCHEM, 1, Beybhafs; 2, Bhoopalee; 3, Kanra; 4, Badhunsha; 5, Malfree; 6, Pudmunjeree.

VARIATIONS OF MEGH, 1, Mullar; 2, Sowrutty; 3, Affawurree; 4, Keyfeekee; 5, Gundhar; 6, Hirfingaree.

VARIATIONS OF NUTNARAIN, 1, Kammoodee; 2, Kulleyen; 3, Aheeree; 4, Soodhnaut; 5, Saluk; 6, Nutkummer.

Some make only four variations of each Rag.

OTHERS in the place of Buffunt, Punchem, and Megh, use Malkoofuck, Hindowl, and Deepuc, and make five variations of each. Others instead of Buffunt, Behrowng, Punchem, and Megh, use Loodh, Behrown, Hindowl, Deyshar, and Soodhnaut.

THERE are two kinds of fongs, Marug being those invented by the Dewtahs and the Rekehser, which are the same every where, and are are univerfally held in the highest veneration. In the Dekhan there are many who sing them in different ways, amongst which are the following: 1, Soorejperkas; 2, Penjtalisser; 3, Sirbetoobehder; 4, Chanderperkas; 5, Ragkuddem; 6, Shoomra, and 7, Surtunnee.

The other kind of longs are called Deylee (or local), each place having its peculiar ones, as Dhoorpud in Agra, Gualiar, Bary, and that neighbourhood. In the reign of Rajah Manfingh at Gualiar, three of his muficians, named Naik Bukhshoo, Mujhoo, and Bhaunoo, formed a collection of longs suited to the taste of every class of people. When Manfingh died, Bukhshoo and Mujhoo went into the service of Sultan Bahader Gujeratty, and being highly esteemed by that prince, introduced into his court this kind of longs.

The Dhoorpud confifts of stanzas of three or four rhymical lines of any length. They are chiefly in praise of men who have been famous for their valour or their virtue. The Deysee songs in the Telingee and Carnatic dialects, are called Dherow; the subject is generally love. Those sung in Bengal, are called Bungeela. Those of Jownpoor, Chootkutta. Those of Dehly, Kowl, and Teraneh. These last were composed by Ameer Khosru of Dehly, with the assistance of Samut and Tetar; they are a delightful mixture of the Persian and Hindoove style. Those of Mehtra, are called Bishenpud, consisting of stanzas of sour or six lines, and are in praise of Kishen. Those of Sind, are called Kamee, and are on love and friendship. Those in the Terhut language, called Lehcharee, were composed by Bedya-

put, and are on the violence of the passion of love. Those of Lahore are called Chund. Those of Gujerat Juckree. The war-like and heroic songs, are called Kirkeh and Sadereh; they are of different measures, and in various dialects. Besides those already mentioned there are many others, amongst which are Poorbee, Dehnastree, Rumkulty, Koryie, Soohoo, Deyskar, and Deysneck.

THE THIRD ADHYA, Purkeerenka, treats of Alap, which is of two kinds. 1, Ragalap, the Tan, or fymphony, which contains the subject of the air. 2, Roopalap, the air with the words.

THE FOURTH ADHYA, Pirbendh, is the art of composing Geet (or fong), and consists of fix things. 1, Soor. 2, Bered (praise). 3, Pud, the person praised. 4, Tinna, or Amen. 5, Tuntinna, or Amen, Amen. 6, Neehrat, Time.

PAUT fignifies the variations of the word Tuntinna, from three to twenty fyllables. This therefore is an excess of time.

TAUL, or measure. If the Taul contains six Tuntinnas, it is called Meydence; if sive Anundence; if sour Debnee; if three Bhawance; if two Terawely; and it never consists of sewer.

THE four Adhyas above described, are only divisions of Soor, or melody.

THE FIFTH ADHYA, Taul, treats of the nature, and quantity of the measure.

THE SIXTH ADHYA, Wadya, of musical instruments, and which are of four kinds. 1, Tut, stringed instruments. 2, Tit, those made of skins, such as drums. 3, Gheen, any two things that produce found by percussion. 4, Sookhir, wind instruments.

STRINGED INSTRUMENTS.

THE Junter has a neck of hollowed wood an ell in length, at each end of which is fastened half of a gourd. On the neck are placed fixteen wooden frets, over which are strung six iron wires, fastened into both ends of the neck. The tone is varied, by means of the frets.

THE Bheen resembles the Junter; but has only three strings.

THE Kinner has a longer neck than the Bheen; and has three gourds with two strings.

THE Sirbheen is like the Bheen, excepting that it has not any frets.

THE Ambirtee, the neck of this is smaller than that of the Sirbheen, and it has only one gourd, which is placed in the middle of the neck underneath, and one iron wire. The changes of the modes are played upon it.

THE Rebab, in general, has fix strings of gut; but some have twelve, and others eighteen.

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THE Sirmendel resembles the Canoon. It has twenty-one strings, some of which are of iron, some of brass, and some of gut.

THE Saringee, called also Soorbutan, is of the shape of a bow, with two hollow cups inverted at each end. It has one string of gut, resembling a bow-string. They hold under the string a small gourd, and play with a plestrum.

THE Adhowtee is a gourd with two wires.

THE Kingerah refembles the Bheen, but has only two strings of gut, and the gourds are smaller.

The SECOND KIND of INSTRUMENTS, or DRUMS.

THE Pukawej is a hollow piece of wood in the shape of a citron, but flat at both ends, which are covered with parchment; and it is held under one arm.

THE Awej refembles two falconers drums fastened together. It is braced with strings of filk.

THE Dehl, is another kind of drum well known.

THE Dheddeh, is smaller than the Deh'.

THE Irdahwej, is half the fize of the Awej.

THE Duff, is another kind of drum well known.

THE Khenjir, is a little Duff hung round with small bells.

The THIRD KIND of INSTRUMENTS, those of Percussion.

The Tal is a pair of brass cups, with broad mouths.

THE Kut-h Tal, resemble small sish, and are made of wood or stone. A set consists of sour.

The SIXTH KIND, or WIND INSTRUMENTS.

. THE Shehna is the same as the Persian Sinna, or trumpet.

THE Mushk, is composed of two reeds, perforated according to rule, and joined together in a leather bag. In the Persian language it is called Nie Amban, or the bagpipe.

THE Moorlee, is a kind of flute.

THE Owpunk, is a hollow tube, an ell long, with a hole in the centre, in which is placed a small reed.

THE SEVENTH ADHYA, Tirtya, or the Art of Dancing.

The different kinds of SINGERS.

THOSE who fing the ancient fongs, which are the same every where, are called Bykar; and those who teach them Schkar. The Kerawunt chiefly sing the Dhoorpud.

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THE Dharbee are those who sing the Penjaby songs, which they accompany with the Dehdeh, and Kingerah. Many of these sing in the field of battle the praises of heroes, to excite the troops to valiant actions. The Kewall are of this number, but fing chiefly the Dehly airs and Persian songs in the same style. The Poorkeya, the men accompany their voices with the Awej, and the women with the Tal; formerly they fung the Kirkeh, but now the Dhoorpud, and fuch like. There are many beautiful women of this class. The Dufzun are chiefly Pinjaby women who play on the Duff and Dehl, and fing Dhoorpud, and the Schlah, or nuptial and birth-day fongs. Formerly they appeared only before women; but now they will exhibit in publick. The Sezdehtaly, the men of this class have large Duffs, and one of the women plays at once upon thirteen pair of Tal, placing them upon her wrifts, backs of the hands, elbows, shoulders, back of the neck, and on the breaft. Thefe are mostly natives of Gujerat and Malva. The Nutwah, dance with graceful motions, and fing and play upon the Pukawej, Rebab, and Tal.

THE Keertunnya are Brahmins, whose instruments are such as were in use amongst the ancients, viz. the Pukawej, Rebab, and Tal. They are boys dressed like women, who sing the praises of Kishen. The Bhugteyeh, whose songs are the same as the last; but they change their dresses, and are great mimics. They exhibit at night. The Bhunweyeh greatly resemble the last, but exhibit both in day and night. They dance in a surprizing manner in the compass of a brass dish, called in the Hindoovee language Talee. They also sing. The Bhend, play on the Dhel and Tal, and sing. They represent dis-

ferent animals. They draw up water through the nostrils. They run an iron spit down their throat into the stomach. They swallow a mixture of different kinds of grain, and then bring them up again separately, with other slights of hand. The Kunjeree, the men play on the Pukawej, Rebab, and Tal; and the women sing and dance. His majesty calls them Kunchenee. The Nut play on the Dehl and Tal, dance upon the rope, and throw themselves into strange postures. The Behroopee exhibit in the day, and change their appearance in such a manner, that old men seem to be youths, and youths old men, beyond detection. The jugglers are so dexterous, that they will seem to cut a man in pieces, and join him together again.

The AKAHREH, or Private Singing and Dancing.

This is an entertainment given at night by great people to their own family. The performers are generally women of the house, who are instructed by proper people.

A SET confilts of four dancers, four fingers, and four others who play the Tal, with two Pukawej, two Owpunks, one Rebab, one Junter; and two who stand by with torches. They are for the most part instructed by the Nutwah, who sometimes teach slaves of their own, and then sell them.

His majesty is excessively fond of musick, and has a perfect knowledge of its principles. This art, which the generality of people use as the means of obtaining sleep, serves to amuse him and keep him awake.

GUJ SHASTER.

A DESCRIPTION of elephants, with instructions how to discover their age and qualities, their diseases and cure.

SALHOWTER.

THE art of farriery.

BASTOOK.

The art of building in every branch.

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TREATS of the various properties of food.

RAJNEET.

THE art of governing a kingdom.

THERE are eight causes of anger: 1, Deprivation of riches; 2. Ingratitude; 3, Betraying a secret; 4, Neglecting a faithful servant; 5, Abusive language; 6, Unjust suspicion; 7, Murder; 8, Censoriousness.

It is incumbent on a monarch to diveft himself of avarice and anger, by sollowing the counsels of wisdom, and not to debase himself by the commission of any of the eight crimes above mentioned. If he unfortunately suffers injury from others, it behaves him

him to be moderate in his refentments. It is his indispensable duty to fear God; to be just and merciful himself, and to excite the like disposition in others; to pay particular respect to men of exalted rank, and behave with kindness and condescension towards his subjects of every description. He should be ambitious to extend his dominions; and protect his subjects from the oppressions of his officers, from robbers, and other evil doers; proportioning the punishment to the offence. In every thing that concerns himfelf he should be patient, and forgiving of injuries. For his intelligencers, he must make choice of men of wisdom and integrity. No enemy is fo infignificant as to be beneath his notice; and therefore he ought to be ever on his guard. Neither must he be vain of his own wealth or power. A wife prince will banish from his court all corrupt and defigning men. The king refembles a gardener, who plucks up the thorns and briers, and throws them on one fide, whereby he beautifies his garden, and at the fame time raifes a fence, which preferves his ground from the intrusion of strangers. Thus a monarch employs on his frontiers men of bold and daring difpolitions; making them a serviceable barrier against invaders; and purging his court of turbulence and firife. The gardener lops off the redundant branches, and plucks away such leaves as would only serve to deprive the tree of itsflrength. In like manner the king detaches from the nobles their too numerous friends, and dangerous dependents. The gardener also refreshes the weak trees with water; and the king fustains his poor foldiers by feafonable liberality.

If the king hath not fufficient ability of mind, or strength of constitution, to execute all publick affairs himself, he must fearch for a man of exemplary piety and approved integrity, and who to these valuable qualities adds experience, and activity in business. Him he must consult on all occasions with implicit confidence, and entrust with the executive power. In affairs of moment, it is not advisable to consult with many, because that to be qualified to give advice on fuch occasions requires fidelity, liberality of fentiment, valour, and circumfpection; qualities that are feldom found united in one person. Some ancient monarchs, indeed, made it a rule to confult men of a contrary description, and to act diametrically opposite to their advice. But they were frequently deceived by this method; because it is difficult to erase from the mind the bad impressions which are received from timid or crasty counsels, ignorance, or malice. They found it the fafest way to join with the prime minister a few wife and experienced men, and to require each to deliver his opinion in writing, to be separately canvaffed and debated upon. A prince, moreover, requires a learned aftrologer, and a skilful physician. A wife king selects his friends with judgement; and conciliates the affection of his troops. He fills his treasury by prudent management. He divides his dominions into proper portions, and commits them to the government of virtuous men, amongst whom he takes care to preserve perfect unanimity. He examines the state of the fortreffes in his dominions; and is ever attentive to the fecurity and prosperity of his empire. With those princes who are his equals in power, he takes care to maintain peace and friendship; and from

from those who are weaker than himself he exacts tribute. If any monarch is more powerful than himself, he continually strives to sow dissension amongst his troops; and if he is not able to effect this, prudently purchases his friendship. If possible, he preserves peace with every one; but when war is unavoidable, supports his dignity by vigorous and bold operations. The prince whose territory adjoins to his, although he may be friendly in appearance, yet ought not to be trusted; he should always be prepared to oppose any sudden attack from that quarter. With him whose country lies next beyond the one last mentioned, he should enter into alliance; but no connection should be formed with those who are more remote. If he finds it necessary to attack his enemy, he should invade his country during the time of harvest.

BESIDES the Rajneet, the Hindoos have many other fenfible books upon government.

BEYHAR,

THE administration of justice.

THE learned Hindoos fay, that law is comprised under eighteen heads, viz. 1, Debt; 2, Deposit; 3, Claim of property; 4, Partnership; 5, Gists; 6, Wages, hire, and rent; 7, Tribute; 8, Buying and selling; 9, Herdsmen; 10, Boundaries: 11, Abusive language; 12, Assault; 13, Thest; 14, Murder; 15, Adultery; 16, Disputes between man and wise; 17, Inheritance; 18, Gaming.

THE judge must erect his tribunal facing the east. He must confider it a religious obligation to discharge the duties of his office Vol. III. Cc with

with impartiality and justice. If he cannot execute all the business himself, he may delegate his authority to men of experience, courage, and activity.

The plaintiff they call Badee, and the defendant Pirtbadee. When a complaint is preferred to the judge, if the defendant is a debilitated old man, or is under the age of twelve years, or is an idiot, or is infane, or is fick, or is employed on the business of the state, or is a woman without relations, or a woman of samily, such an one cannot be summoned before a court of justice; the judge shall commission an intelligent person to interrogate upon the case. But those who do not come under any of the above descriptions, are obliged to attend.

Whatever the plaintiff fays, is taken down in writing with the date; and also his genealogy for three descents, with many other particulars. The same is done with the desendant. The judge, after comparing together the charge and the desence, asks the plaintiff what evidence he has in writing, or what witnesses he can produce. According to some there ought not to be sewer than three or sour witnesses in every case; but others maintain, that a charge is sufficiently established by the evidence of one person of known veracity.

An infant under five years of age cannot be a witness in any case, neither can a man who is superannuated. The evidence of a Sooder can only be of service to a Sooder, nor of a handicrasts-

man but for one of his profession. Neither can any of the following bear evidence; one who is blind, lame, or deaf; nor an idiot, nor a madman, nor a gambler, nor a notorious sinner; nor one who at the time is suffering hunger or thirst, or is under the insluence of passion; or a thief, or any criminal, whom they are carrying to suffer death; nor a woman, excepting in semale concerns; nor a friend for a friend; nor an enemy against an enemy. The judge will derive collateral proof by the physiognomy, and prevarication of the parties.

THE above stipulations are to be observed in all cases; excepting murder, thest, assault, or abusive language.

Is neither party can produce any proof in writing, nor bring any witnesses, the judge shall determine according to the best of his judgement. But if the merit of the cause is so doubtful, that he cannot take upon himself to pass a decision, he shall propose the ordeal. According to some the ordeal can only be performed by the plaintiff. There are eight kinds of ordeal. The first kind. They weigh the person in a pair of scales: then they perform certain religious ceremonies and weigh him again, when if he is sound to be lighter than he was the first time, his claim is admitted; but if his scale preponderates, or the balance stands even, he is declared a liar. Some books admit of a trisling difference. This kind of ordeal is peculiar to the Brahmins. The second kind. They describe seven or nine circles from one centre, with the distance of sixteen singers breadth between each periphery. Then the person who is

to perform the ordeal bathes himself, and performs certain religious ceremonies; after which he rubs over his hands rice bran, and foreading open both palms, lays upon them feven green Peepul leaves, which are bound round seven times with raw filk. Next they place thereon a red hot iron weighing 31 feers. With this in his hands he walks between the circles, and upon arriving at the last, throws down the iron, when if it has not burnt his hands, he is declared to have gained his cause. If he should chance to let the iron fall before he has passed over all the circles, he must begin again. The third hind. The person stands up to the navel in water with his face towards the east. He next dives under the water, when one of the byflanders flioots from a bow, measuring 106 fingers breadth, an arrow made of reed, without any iron spike, and another person runs and setches it back. If the appellant keeps all this while under water, his cause is declared just. This ordeal is peculiar to the Byls cast. The fourth kind. Deadly poison is administered thus: in Buffunt 7 grains; or in Kurreykhim 5 grains; or in Eurreyka 4 grains; or in Sird 6 grains; or in Hyment and Shifkar 8 grains. This is to be mixed up with thirty times the quantity of ghee; and after repeating certain incantations, administered to the person who is to be tried. He must turn his face to the south, and the person who administers it must look towards the east, or the north. If it has not any effect during the time that the spectators can clap their hands five hundred times, his cause is pronounced just, and antidotes are given him. This ordeal is peculiar to the Sooder caft. The fifth kind. They wash an idol with water, and after praying before it, the person who is to be tried drinks three handfuls of

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the water. If no misfortune befalls him within fourteen days from that time, his cause is pronounced just. The fixth kind. They put into an earthen vessel a particular kind of rice called Sathee, and let it stand all night. In the morning, after repeating certain incantations, the person who is to be tried eats the rice, looking towards the east: He then spits upon a leaf of the Peepul tree, or Bhowjputter. If the faliva is mixed with blood, or the corners of his mouth swell, or he trembles, he is declared to be a liar. The feventh kind. They put forty dams of ghee, or fesamé oil, into an earthen or stone vessel measuring sixteen fingers in length and breadth, and four fingers deep. This they keep upon the fire, till it boils violently, when they throw in a masha of gold. If the person who is to be tried, takes out the gold between his fore-finger and thumb, without scalding himself, he is declared to be a man of veracity. The eighth kind. They write the words Dehrem and Adherem; upon plates of filver and lead, or upon pieces of white and black linen, or Bhowjputter, and put them into a flaggon, which has never held water. The perion whose cause is to be decided, puts in his hand, and if he draws out the word Dehrem, it proves his affertion to be true. This kind of ordeal is common to all the four tribes ...

If a cause cannot be decided in one day, the judge admits the desendant to bail. Till one suit is decided, another cannot be preserved against the same person.

WHEN a claim is proved, the person who gains the suit is put in possession; and the judge exacts a fine of equal value from the defendant. And if the plaintiff loses his cause, he in like manner pays double the sum sued for.

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DEBT.

If there is a fimple debt, without any deposit, and there is a dispute about the interest, a Brahmin shall pay two per cent. per mensem; a Kehteree three; a Byls four; and a Sooder sive.

If there is a collateral fecurity, then only a fourth of the above is recoverable, even although a higher rate had been agreed upon between the parties.

Upon adventures by land, ten per cent. is allowable, and twenty-five per cent. for rifks by fea.

If there had been an agreement for a particular time, and the time should be considerably elapsed, the judge shall not allow for interest a sum exceeding the principal. In agreements for grain, as far as five times the principal is allowed.

DEPOSIT.

Is a person has employed a deposit illegally, and when it is demanded, demurs paying back the money, he shall be fined half the principal sum in addition, for interest. If he defends the fuit, and the plaintiff cannot produce any writing or witness, the judge may privately direct some other perfon to deposit something with the plaintiff, and after some time demand it back again, when if he resules, he shall be compelled to satisfy the first claim, or else submit to be tried by ordeal.

If a thief fleals from a truftee any deposit; or it is burnt, or is lost by water, or is taken away by an enemy in plunder; he shall not make restitution.

Is he has diminished it, he shall pay the desiciency to the plaintiff, and the like sum to the judge.

CLAIMS of PROPERTY.

If the owner proves that his property has been illegally conveyed over to another, it shall be restored to him, and the money taken back from the feller.

It he discovers that it is hidden, or fold under value, or he finds it in the possession of a person who cannot give an account how he came by it, the judge shall restore the property to the owner, and exact a fine according to the rank of the offender.

If any person discovers him who has stolen any thing, the informer shall not be fined, but the thief.

PARTNERSHIP.

Ir partners have a dispute, and it appears that they had entered into a formal agreement of partnership, the judge shall determine according to the terms of their engagement. But if there was not any particular agreement, the profit and loss shall be divided in proportion to the share of each in the stock.

Ir a partner loofes or injures the property of the partnership, or it has been employed or carried away without the consent of the other partners, he shall make restitution.

If one of the partners commits any dishonesty in the management of the partnership, he shall first make good the desiciency, and then be ejected from the partnership; and if any share of profit is due to him at the time, it shall be exacted by the judge.

Ir a partner is fet to guard the joint stock, and through his neglect any thing is lost or injured, he shall make restitution.

GIFTS.

Is any thing is given away under the influence of anger, ficknels, forrow, or fear, or as a bribe, or in jest, it is allowable to take it back; and also whatever has been given by an infant, an idiot, or a madman. But in no other cases can a gift be resumed. If any thing has been given with a view of obtaining future reward; or has been exchanged for any thing else; it cannot, under any pretence, be taken back.

WAGES, HIRE, and RENT.

IF wages, or hire, or rent, is received in advance, the agreement must be fulfilled. If it is broken, the offender shall be fined in double the sum. But if he had only entered into an engagement without receiving the money, then for the failure he shall only be fined in the sum agreed for.

Is a servant looses his master's property, he must make restitu-

PUBLICK REVENUE,

If any one fails in the payment of his revenue to government, his property shall be seized, and he shall be banished.

BUYING and SELLING.

The buyer may return his purchase on the day he bought it, without any consideration; on the second day he may send it back, upon forfeiting a twentieth part of the price; but after the second day, he cannot return it. The following are exceptions: A maid servant may be sent back within a month; a slave within sisteen days; grain within ten days; a jewel within seven days; cattle in general within five days; a milch cow within three days; iron Vol. III.

within one day; unless there are any particular flipulations to the centrary.

THE feller may take back his goods within the fame period; but then he must fusian the same loss as would have fallen upon the buyer had he returned them.

HERDSMEN.

Is through the neglect of a herdiman, a beast is lost, or dies, or is hurt, he is obliged to repair the injury.

IF a beast enters a field adjoining to a town, and eats the produce, the herdiman is not answerable for the damage, but the man who was fet to watch the crop. But if it was not through his neglect, then the master of the beast shall pay it. Fines exacted by the judge for the above trespass. For a buffaloe, camel, or als, seven mashas of filver. For an ox three and one half mashas; for a sheep or goat one and three quarters of a masha. If a beast lies down and eats, the fine is doubled. But for beafts without owners no one is responsible. Eleven days after the death of a Brahmin, it is usual for his family to let loofe eight, or four, or one bull, with a number of cows, which are previously branded in a particular manner. The same is done thirteen days after the death of a Kehteree; fixteen days after the death of a Byss; and thirty-one days after the death of a Sooder. The cattle are allowed to rove where they pleafe. Neither can any fine be exacted for a cow, who has just calved, and lies down in a field.

BOUNDARIES.

DISPUTES concerning boundaries cannot be enquired into during the rains. Hufbandmen generally mark their boundaries by burying thereon afhes, stones, broken tiles, hair, bones, and such other articles as do not soon perish in the ground. Sometimes a tree is a boundary. The judge must determine upon these proofs, joined to the evidence of at least sour husbandmen, herdsmen, or hunters. The following is the method. Each of the witnesses must be dressed in red, with a string of red slowers round his neck, and placing a clod of earth upon his head he shall say, "If I "speak salfely, my good works shall be of no avail unto me." If there are not any witnesses, nor any marks for distinguishing the boundary, the judge shall decide at his discretion.

ABUSIVE LANGUAGE.

This they reckon of three kinds, viz. 1, Abusing another to his face. 2, Indirect abuse. 3, Reproaching a man's mother or sister.

For the two first, if the offender be inserior to him whom he has abused, he shall be fined 12½ dams; and if they are equal half that sum. If a superior offends in such manner against his inserior, he shall be fined in a fourth of that sum.

For the third kind, if the offence is committed against a superior, the fine is 25 dams. If they are equal, or a Brahmin abuses

a Kehteree, or a Kehteree a Brahmin, the offender shall pay 50 dams. If a Byss offends in this manner against a Brahmin, he shall pay 70 dams; but if a Brahmin offends thus against a Byss, he shall pay only 12½ dams. And thus between Byss and Sooder.

Ir any one speaks disrespectfully of a Dewtah, of the King, or of a Brahmin who has studied the sour Bedes, shall be fined 540 dams. If he abuses a whole family, he shall be fined 270 dams, or if all the inhabitants of a city, 135 dams.

ASSAULT.

This they reckon of four kinds. 1, Throwing at any one clay, earth, or filth. 2, Putting in bodily fear, by threatening a blow with a stick, or any other weapon. 3, Striking a blow with the hands, feet, or with any weapon. 4, Wounding with any weapon.

The first kind, For simply throwing any thing, he shall be fined five dams; and if he soils him ten dams; provided the parties are equals. But if the offender is the inserior, he shall be fined double, and if he is the superior, only half the sum.

The fecond kind, For threatening five dams, if the parties are equals; but if the offender is the inferior, double; or if he is superior, only half that sum.

The third kind, If the blow occasions a swelling or bruise, and the parties are equals, 270 dams. If the offender is the inferior, the offending offending member shall be cut off; or the judge may inslict a suitable sine. The sines are, A Kehteree against a Brahmin 540 dams; a Byss against a Brahmin 1080; a Sooder against a Brahmin 2160. A Byss against a Kehteree; or a Sooder against a Byss 540; or a Sooder against a Kehteree 1080. But if a Brahmin offends against a Kehteree, he pays only 270, or if against a Byss 135, or a Sooder $67\frac{1}{2}$: and so downwards in the other casts, towards one another.

The fourth kind. Between equals, if the skin is scratched sifty dams; if the slesh is torn ten tolahs of gold; if a bone is broken, the offender shall be banished. If an inferior offends thus against a superior, the sine shall be double; but if the offender is the superior, it shall be only half of what is paid between equals. If any medicine is required, he shall pay the expence thereof, and also maintain the wounded person till cured.

If any one by a blow hurts a sheep, or a goat, he shall be fined eight dams; if it is lamed, he shall pay its full price to the owner, and \$25 dams to the judge; and if it is killed double the price, and a sine of 250 dams. If a horse, or camel, or ox, be so injured, he shall pay double the price to the owner, and to the judge the same sine as for a sheep.

If any valuable vegetables are injured by any person, the owner shall receive the full price, and the judge exact a fine of ten dams; or if it be of little value, only eight dams.

THEFT.

It any one steals one hundred tolahs of gold or silver, or any thing of that value; or a quantity of grain not less than 66; maunds; or carries away a child, or any one of a family; or another man's wife, he shall be punished with death.

FOR stealing less than the sum above mentioned, they shall cut off one of his hands. If it be sifty mashas or less, they shall sine him eleven times the sum. The same concerning grain.

In the cases above mentioned, whatever has been stolen shall be restored to the owner; and if the criminal is not able to pay the sine, he shall be condemned to bondage. For lesser these, the punishment shall be inslicted at the discretion of the judge.

MURDER.

Ir an inferior kills his superior, he shall suffer death. If a Brahmin kills a Brahmin, his estate shall be consistented, and the hair of his head cut off; he shall be branded in the forehead and banished. If a Brahmin kills a Kehteree, he shall be fined 1000 cows, and a bull. If a Brahmin kills a Byss, he shall be fined 1000 cows and a bull. If a Brahmin kills a Sooder, he shall be fined ten cows and a bull. The same sines are inflicted on a Kehteree for killing a Kehteree, and on a Byss for killing a Byss, &c. If a Sooder kills a Sooder, he is fined 500 cows and a bull.

Ir the murderer is not discovered, the inhabitants of the city, town, or quarter, where the murder was committed, shall endeavour to find him; and in default, they are subject to whatever fine the judge may think proper to inflict.

ADULTERY.

WHOSOEVER deflowers a virgin of his own cast, without her making any resistance, shall be compelled to marry her. If he ravishes her, he shall be put to death; but no punishment inslicted on the woman. If the offender is a Brahmin, he shall only suffer banishment.

Ir she was not a virgin, but one who was not used to go abroad, and consented, and they are both of the same cast, he shall be sined 270 dams. If he forced her, the sine shall be 540 dams. If she is a woman who is used to go abroad, and consented, the sine shall be 250 dams, and if sorced, 500 dams. If the man is superior in cast to the woman, the sine, in all these cases, shall be 250 dams; but if the man is inserior, he shall, in all cases, be put to death; and they shall cut off the woman's cars and nose.

MAN and WIFE.

Is immediately after marriage a man discovers any natural defect on his wife, he may part with her without being subject to any prosecution; but the father of the woman shall be fined. If a man agrees to give a person one daughter in marriage, but afterwards gives him another, he shall be obliged to give him both.

If a husband goes on a pilgrimage, and is absent beyond the time he had agreed upon, the wife shall stay at his house during the space of eight years, whatever her circumstances in life may be. If he travels to acquire knowledge, or in quest of fortune, she shall stay in his house six years, waiting his return. If he is gone to marry another woman, three years. After the expiration of the prescribed period, for each case, she is at liberty to leave his house in pursuit of her business. The husband then has it not in his power to put her away; but if she leaves his house before her time, he is at liberty to part with her.

If the husband is fick and his wife does not attend him, he cannot part with her for this neglect; however, he may refuse to speak to her for three months, and he may take back whatever presents he had given her. But after this, he must be reconciled to her.

THE Brahmins cannot divorce their wives. But if a hufband commits a capital crime, or has any contagious distemper, it is lawful for the wife to separate herself from him.

If a Brahmin has four wives, one of each cast, each shall perform the ceremonies of her own particular cast; but the Brahmin, on all religious occasions, and for anointing his body with oil, &c. can employ only her of his own cast.

INHERITANCE.

IF a man dies and leaves behind him a fon, or fons, and a widow, they shall inherit his estate equally.

Is there be neither fons, nor widow, the daughter who is unmarried is the heir.

If there be neither fon, widow, nor unmarried daughter, then the mother of the deceased is the heir.

If he neither leave behind him a mother, then his father shall be the heir.

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Is he neither leave behind him a brother, then his brother's fon shall be the heir.

In default of a brother's fon, the eftate shall be divided amongst the next of kin.

IF he leave not any relations, then the estate shall go to his tutor, or if he is not alive to his school fellows.

Ir there be neither any of these, then the king is the heir.

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WHOSOEVER plays with falle dice, shall be banished.

Ir any one refuses to pay his game, it shall be forced from him.

The judge is entitled to a tenth of whatever is gained at play.

WHAT I have here delivered is a mere furmary of the Hindoo laws. There are a multitude of other cases, with various and contradictory commentaries on each.

CHAR ASHERUM, or THE FOUR HINDOO DEGREES

I now proceed to describe the customs and manners of the Hindoos, and their religious ceremonies.

THE following are the rules observed by the Brahmins. When a Brahmin is out of his minority, he divides the remainder of his life into four portions for the performance of the four Asherum, or degrees.

THE FIRST DEGREE, or Berhemeharee. The Brahmins regard the Zenar as one of the first principles of their religion: indeed none of the three first tribes consider themselves initiated till they have put it on. A Brahmin may put on the Zenar at any time between eight and fixteen years of age; a Kehteree from eleven till twenty-two; a Byss from twelve to twenty-four; but a Sooder cannot wear

wear it. If any one of the three tribes neglects to put on the Zenar within the prescribed time for each, he is not considered as a Hindoo. A Brahmin receives the Zenar from his father or tutor; a Kehteree, and a Byss, from the hands of a Brahmin. Only a Brahmin can twift this cord; and that which a Brahmin puts on the first time, must be twisted by his father or tutor. It is made after the following manner: three threads, each measuring ninety-fix hands, are twifted together; then they are folded into three, and twifted again, making it to confift of nine threads. This is folded again into three, but without any more twifting, and each end fastened with a knot. This is the Zenar, which, being put upon the left shoulder, passes to the right side and hangs down as far as the singers can reach. A Brahmin wears four Zenars together, and the other two casts only three. Some say that for this purpose cotton thread is used by the Brahmins; worsted by the Kehteree; and hempen thread by the Byss. The first time that they put on the Zenar, they hang along with it a flip of deer skin three fingers breadth; but it is shorter than the Zenar. A Brahmin uses antelope skin; a Kehteree any other deer skin; and a Byss goat skin. They, moreover, at this time wear round the waift a cord, made of a particular kind of grafs, called Moonj.

HE next learns the Gayteree, which are certain words in praise of the sun. This they consider like the Kelma of the Mohammedans.

A BRAHMIN also receives a staff of Palass wood; but for a Kehteree, or Byss, it is made of any other wood.

AFTER the performance of these ceremonies, the noviciate is brought from his father's house, and placed under his tutor, to be instructed in the Bedes; beginning sirst with reading his own particular Bede. They say, that when the philosopher Byass divided the Bede into sour parts, he instructed sour of his disciples in the respective doctrines of each; the descendants of which disciples have followed the tenets of the particular Bede inculcated by the first teacher. They never begin to read the Bedes at any of the following times, Purwa, Ashtomeen, Pooren Mass, Amavuss; neither in the nights of Ashtomeen, nor Chutturduss; nor during an eclipse. But any other of the six above-mentioned ceremonies may be performed at those times.

When a Berhemcharee goes to the necessary, he hangs the Zenar upon his right ear. On this occasion, in the day time he turns his face to the north, and at night to the fouth. He afterwards washes his privities five times with water, having each time previously used earth. This is performed with the left hand, which he then cleanses five times in the same manner. Next he washes both hands five times; and concludes with washing his feet thrice. When he urines, he cleanses the parts once with earth and water, and then three times with water; using his left hand as before; after which he washes both hands and feet. This is the number of purifications required from the time of putting on the Zenar, till sixteen years of

age, after which period they are doubled. After performing three ablutions, he fits down upon his haunches looking towards the east or north. Then he takes in his right hand a little water which he drinks. Then he cleans his teeth with a Mifwak, using a fresh one every day.

THE drefs of a Berhemcharee confifts of, 1, The Lungowiee, which is a piece of cloth for covering the privities. 2, The Lungee, another cloth which covers the Lungowtee. 3, A sheet without any future. 4, A linen cap. He bathes every morning before funrife, without any covering but the Lungowtee, and the cord of Moonj. He begins with taking up in his right hand a little water, and fays, " Pardon my offences." After which he throws Then he rubs himself all over with earth, and away the water. if he is in a river dives three times, or elfe he throws water thrice over his body, and rubs himfelf with his hands. Next he repeatsthe name of God, and then thrice takes up in his right hand a little water, which he fips, and repeats certain prayers, during all which time he fprinkles water upon his head. Then with his fore-finger and thumb he stops his nostrils, and bowing down his face to the furface of the water, repeats another prayer, and then dives, or throws water over himself thrice. then sprinkles seven times his forehead, breast, and shoulders. Then joining his open hands, he fills them eight times with water, and throws it towards the fun, repeating a particular prayer; after this he fips a little water, and repeats the Parayenam, mentioned under the article Patenjil. . This they call the ablution,

whether it be performed in a river, pond, well, or house. He then puts on his cloaths, and if he is a follower of Ram, makes a mark with ashes along his forehead. If he is a follower of Kishen, he makes twelve Kushkehs, namely upon his forehead, breast, navel, the right and left sides thereof, the shoulders, tips of the ears, the loins, the crown of the head, and the throat. The clay of the Ganges is in the highest esteem for this ceremony; but they sometimes use saffron, and other dyes. A Sooder marks only a circle upon his forehead. After this he takes up his staff, and puts over his shoulders a leather belt, which saftens at the navel with a cushion. Then he performs the Sindeyha, which is saying a certain prayer, and drinking and sprinkling water in a particular manner. Next he performs the Howm, or burnt sacrifice.

When he has performed all these ceremonies, he goes and waits upon his tutor, and reads the Bedes. Immediately that the sum begins to decline, the Berhemcharee repeats all the ceremonies above described, with some trisling variation. Then he goes and begs food from three, sive, or seven houses; but he will not receive any from a Sooder. When he has dressed a sufficient quantity, he carries it to his tutor, and asks permission to eat. Before he begins to eat, he says a prayer, and performs some particular ceremonies; and after he has done, repeats another prayer. He never speaks during meals. At the dusk of the evening he repeats the Sindeyha and Howm. After this he reads two or three hours, and then sleeps upon the ground on a bed of straw,

flraw, a tiger's skin, deer skin, or such like. He abstains from flesh, honey, beetle, and perfumes. A Berhemcharee wears his head shaven, leaving a lock of hair at the back of the crown. The hair of the other parts of the body, are fuffered to grow. He uses neither Sirmah, nor oil; and never goes where there is finging, dancing, or gaming. He never kills any animal; and has no commerce with women. He never eats of any dish, till his tutor has tafted it. He is enjoined to abstain from lying, anger, avarice, and envy, and is forbidden to speak ill of any one, even although he may deferve it. In short, he is commanded to lead a life of virtue and holinefs. When he prays, he looks towards the east, or the north. He never looks at the fun at the time of rifing or fetting. Some continue in the degree of Berhemcharee forty-eight years, allowing twelve years for the fludy of each Bede. Some pass through this degree in five years, and others only continue in it till they have learnt the Bedes. Others, again, spend all their lives in this state; and in pursuit of Muckut inslict upon themselves great austerities.

THE SECOND DEGREE, Gerihst, h. When the Berhemcharee has finished his studies, if he finds an inclination to devote his life to the service of God, and despises all worldly enjoyments, nothing can be more meritorious; but if he does not feel such an inclination, he waits upon his tutor, and asks permission to return to his father's house.

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He then throws afide all his drefs, excepting the Zenar; but continues the ablutions, and other ceremonies, like a Berhemcharee. If he is a Brahmin, he puts on a turband, and a sheet eight cubits long and two broad, which serves to cover his loins and thighs. Another sheet, sour cubits long and two broad, he throws over his shoulders; this may have a suture, but the other not. A Geresht, h of any of the other casts, wears different kinds of dresses. He now marries, in the manner that will be described hereaster.

THE Geresht, h performs certain prayers, and the Howm, or burnt facrifice, after the following manner. He takes in his hand a branch of a Peepul, or Palass tree, a cubit in length, and burns it in the Howm fire. He then passes into the fire another branch of the fame kind, and after having fcorched it, takes it out and preserves it against the next Hown, which he perforins with this flick; and then scorches another in like manner, which he preserves against the time of performing the Aginhowter. This is a particular Howm, made with Peepul wood, and two other slicks, which by means of a strong cord are rubbed together till they take fire, when they are put into three earthen veffels. He then makes the figure of a tortoile with one and a fourth of a feer of rice-flour, and sprinkles it with oil. Part of this he throws into the three fires, as an offereng to the Dewtahs; and the remainder he gives to the Brahmins, eating some himself. A third part of the fire, he preferves during his whole life, and every day performs the Howm with some of it, throwing into

into the fire as an offering to the Dewtahs, rice, ghee, milk, barley, or any other eatable. And he repeats the Aginhowter, on every Purwa, from the fourth day after his marriage, till he separates from his father, which is the period of this ceremony.

ANY of the casts, excepting a Sooder, may be a Gerisht,h. four ghurries before day-break, he rifes in his bed, and prays. He divides his time into eight parts, assigning to each a particular duty. First, when the sun is above the horizon, he first looks on it, then on fire, next on water, and last on gold. If he is a prince he first looks on the sun, then on a Brahmin, then on a cow, and last on ghee. But if none of these eight things are present, he must look upon the palms of his hands, and perform the Sindehya. The fecond portion of time, he employs in fludying the Bedes, and other sciences. The third, he passes in the service of his prince, and in the transaction of his own business. The fourth, in the performance of his family concerns. The fifth, which is at noon, he fpends in ablutions, the Sindehya, and in sprinkling water with his hands, as an offering to the Dewtahs, the Rekchfir, and his ancestors, which ceremony they call Tirpun, and it is accompanied with certain prayers. The fixth, he prays to Bishen, Mahadeo, the sun, Durga, and Gunnies. This ceremony, which they call Deopoojah, will be more fully treated of hereafter. The feventh, he throws into the fire some of his food, as a burnt offering to the Dewtahs. After which he performs the Alil poojal, which is this: he looks out for a perfon who is hungry, and when he has found him, treats him with great attention, and feeds him. Then he eats himfelf, and thele Ff VOL. III.

these ceremonies collectively are called Bysoodeo Pooja. A Brahmin obtains his food by gleaning the field after the reapers. Or if he does not approve of this method, he may receive it from any of his family. Or if he does not choose this, he may receive the voluntary donations of strangers, who are Brahmins, Kehteree, or Byfs. But if he neither likes this, he may beg. Or if he does not approve of this, he may cultivate land. They think that trade is the worst means by which he can support himself. It is not proper for a Brahmin to keep a greater flock than twelve days provision; but others may have as large a store as they please. The eighth, he listens to the ancient histories of holy men; and performs the Sindehya. If he is hungry, he eats again at this time. He fpends the remainder of the evening, till the first watch of the night, in studying philosophy, after which he goes to reft. This they confider to be the proper distribution of time. They observe many particular ceremonies during eclipses, and other holidays, the Kehteree and Byss performing fewer than the Brahmin.

THE THIRD ASHERUM, Banperist, h, Is the name also given to the professor, as well as to the degree itself. A Sooder cannot take this degree.

WHEN a Brahmin, Kehteree, or a Byss, arrives at old age, or becomes a grandfather, he may give up the management of his family to his son, or some other relation, and bids adieu to the world. He quits the city, and retiring to the defert, there builds himself a cell, where he weans his heart from all worldly concerns, and makes preparation for his last journey. If his wife, through affection, wishes to accompany him in his retirement, it is allowable; but they must subdue all carnal inclinations. Here he preserves the perpetual fire for facrifice, and covers himself with the leaves or bark of trees; a coarse Lungowtee being the only piece of linen that he may wear. He never cuts his hair nor nails. At morning, noon, and evening, he performs his ablutions, with the Sindehya; and every morning and evening the Howm, in the same manner as is directed for the Gerisht, h; but his ablutions are now trebled. He hangs down his head, and observes the other rules prescribed in Patenjit. He reads the Bedes, never fleeps in the day-time, and always lies upon the bare ground. In the fummer months he fits in the fun, furrounded with four fires. During the four rainy months, he dwells upon a flage raifed above the water by four poles, but entirely exposed to the weather. In the four winter months, he fits all night in cold water. He incessantly performs the fast of Chanderayin, and eats only at night. It is allowable for him to amass a store of provisions sufficient for one year; but he receives nothing from any one; and only supplies himself with wild grain and fruits. He never cooks his victuals; but it is allowable for him to foften them in water. When he cannot collect provisions himself, he applies to other Banperishth's; or if they cannot supply him, he then through necessity goes to the next town for food, but remains there no longer than is necessary for that purpose.

If he is weary of life, he travels towards the east or north, till he expires with the fatigue of the journey, or else he throws himself

himself into a fire; or precipitates himself from an eminence; or drowns himself. They think this is the sure road to paradife; but unless he had obtained the state of Sonnyass, he will not from this action alone be rewarded with Muchut.

THE FOURTH ASHERUM, Sonnyafs. Nothing can exceed the aufterities of this state, which, when properly performed, infures the reward of Muckut. His majesty calls one of these disciplinarians Sonnyaffy.

WHEN a man has passed through the three degrees above defcribed, he goes and asks permission from his tutor to enter into this state, which being obtained, he quits his wise, shaves his head and beard, and gives up all worldly concerns. His tutor presents him a Lungowitee, and a small piece of cloth; and acceptssome trisle in return.

The disciplinarian then gives up reading, and applies himself solely to contemplation. He lives alone in the wilds. Every morning, noon, and evening, he performs his ablutions, and purifications, and follows the rules prescribed in Patenjil. He has a particular way of performing the Sindehya, and continually repeats the word Awan, which is the commencement of the Bedes. Towards the evening, he goes to the nearest town, and begs his food from three, sive, or seven houses inhabited by Brahmins, repeating the name of God; but he never receives from one house more than a handful. If they give it him in his hand, he cats it immediately,

diately, but if they throw it on the ground, he takes it up with his mouth, or collecting it in a cloth, washes it in the river before he makes his meal. Then he retires to a place, where there are not any figns of cooking or eating, or lighting of fires.

He refuses all communication with a Sooder or Mileetch, and if any person does not supply him immediately with food, he will not wait. Before he cats, he squints upon the end of his nose, and contemplating, walks on with his head and seet bare, never standing still in one place. He never stays more than three days in a city, nor two in a village. In the rains he dwells in one place; and thus he passes his life.

Some perform all these austerities in the first and second degrees.

Some allow twenty-five years for each of the four states.

THE fecond degree, or Gerish, h, may be professed by any of the four tribes. From the first and third, the Sooder is excluded. The fourth is peculiar to the Brahmins.

The WORSHIP of the DEITY.

THE Hindoo philosophers say, that whosoever seeks to please God, must set aside part of his property for the purpose of divine worship. According to the followers of Nea-iy, Beysheekhek, Meymænsa, Beydant, Sank, and Patenjil, there are four kinds of divine worship, namely, Pooja, Juggen, Dan, and Sheradh, which will be explained in their proper order.

The First Kind of WORSHIP, or POOJA.

Iffur Pcoja. Since they admit that the Almighty occasionally affumes an elementary form, without defiling his holiness, they make various idols, in gold and other metals, which ferve to affift their imaginations whilst they offer up their prayers to the invisible Deity. This they call Pooja, and divide into fixteen ceremonies. After he has performed his usual ablutions, with the Sindehya and Howm, he fits down looking towards the east or the north, with his legs drawn up in front. Then taking in his hand a little water and rice, fprinkles the idol, thinking that he thereby begins the worthip of God. Next is the Kulsh Pooja when he worships the idol's flaggon. Then follows the Shunkh Pooja, or the worthip of the Conch Shell. Last is the Ghunta Pooja, which is plastering the bell with fandal wood. When he has performed these Poojas, he throwsdown a little rice, and wishes that God may be manifested. Thus far includes the first of the fixteen ceremonies. 2, He places a table of metal, or any thing elfe, as a feat for the Deity. throws water into a vessel to wash his foot-steps. In Hindostan it is the custom, that when a superior enters the house of an inserior, he washes his feet. 4, He sprinkles water thrice, to represent the idol rinfing his mouth. It is also the custom, for an inferior to bring to a superior water to rinse his mouth before meals. 5, Sandal, flowers, beetle, and rice, are offered to the idol. 6, The idol and his feat are carried to another spot. Then he takes in his right hand a white Conch shell full of water, which he throws over the idol_ idol, and with his left hand rings the bell. 7, He dries the idol with a cloth, replaces it upon its feat, and dreffes it. 8, He puts the Zenar upon the idol. 9, He makes the Kusheh upon the idol in twelve places. 10, He throws over the idol flowers, or green leaves. 11, He fumigates it with perfumes. 12, He lights a lamp with ghee. 13, He places before the idol trays of food, according to his ability, which are distributed amongst the bye-standers as the idol's leavings. 14, They call Numfkar, which is worshipping God with heart and tongue, and firetching himself at full length with his face towards the ground. This proftration is called Dundowt. Then he lays himself in such manner, that his eight members touch the ground, namely, the two knees, two hands, forehead, nofe, and cheeks, and this they call Shafhtang. These kinds of prostration are also performed to great men. 15, He compasses the idol several times. 16, He stands like a slave, with his hands uplisted, and alks permillion to depart. There are particular prayers, and many different ways of performing these fixteen ceremonies. Some use more than these fixteen ceremonies; and others believe that only from the 9th to the 13th are indispensable duties. Excepting a Sonnyaffy and a Sooder, all other Hindoos perform this Pooja thrice every day.

God may be adored in the heart; or in the fun; or in fire; or in water; or in earth; or under the form of an idol.

THEY also make images of those who have attained immortal felicity, and consider the worshipping of them as the means of obtaining salvation.

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The Second Kind of WORSHIP,

Juggen, which they also call Jag, and it is of three kinds. 1. Pak Juggen, making the Howm in the name of the Dewtahs, and bestowing charity before he eats. This is of different kinds. 2. Jup Juggen, repeating prayers, and reading books of wildom. And these two are in constant use. 3. Bidh Juggen, is also of feveral kinds, in some of which great sums of money are expended, and a number of animals facrificed. One kind of Bidh Juggen is the Ashowneedh Juggen, which is performed only by great monarchs. When every thing is prepared for the facrifice, they place in the front a white horse, who has a black right ear, and after repeating certain prayers, the prince fets out upon conquest, and carries victory where-ever he goes. All the monarchs of the earth become tributary to him, and enter into his troops. They fay, that who oever has performed this ceremony an hundred times, will become a monarch of the upper regions. They pretend that there have been feveral fuch, and relate marvellous stories of them. If he does not perform that number, he only obtains a comfortable habitation there. Raffewee Juggen. At this grand facrifice, all the monarchs of the earth must be present, and they alone can officiate. Wholoever has prefided at such a facrifice twice, becomes a monarch of the upper regions, and they fay, that many have obtained this felicity. This facrifice is of various kinds; but the two here given must suffice for this volume.

The Third Kind of WORSHIP.

Dan, giving money and goods to the needy. There are various ways of bestowing alms, but the following are most in estimation. 1. Toladan, weighing himself against gold, silver, and other valuables. 2. Herngirbh Dan. An image of Brahma is made with four faces, in each of which are two eyes, two ears, two noses, and two mouths; it has four hands, and the other parts of the body like an ordinary man. It is of gold, weighing not less than thirty-three tolahs and four mashahs, nor more than 3410 tolahs. The heighth must be seventy-two fingers, and breadth forty-eight fingers. This is adorned with jewels, and, after the performance of certain ceremonies, given away in alms. 3, Brahma, und Dan. An egg is made of gold of two parts, which join together lo as to form a perfect oval. It must not be smaller in breadth and heighth than twelve fingers; nor larger than 110 fingers. weight from fixty-fix tolahs fix mashahs, to 3333 tolahs four mashahs. 4. Kulptoor Dan, is the name of a tree, which was one of the fourteen things brought out of the fea by the Kowrum Owtar; which will be described hereafter. Birds are represented sitting upon the branches. It is made of gold, and must not weigh less than two tolahs. 5, Goofthfir Dan. One thousand cows with the points of their horns plated with gold, and their hoofs with filver, with bells and Katasses about their necks. 6, Herenneeyeh Kamdheen Dan. A cow and calf made of gold, weighing from 850 to 3400 tolahs. 7, Herenneeyeh-shew Dan. A horse made of gold, weighing from ten tolahs to 3333 tolahs four mashahs. 8, Herenneeyeh-shewrith Gg Dan. VOL. III.

Dan. A four-wheeled chariot made of gold, with four or eight horses, weighing from ten tolahs to 6660 tolahs eight mashahs. 9, Heemhestrith Dan. A carriage drawn by four elephants all of gold, weighing from fixteen tolahs to 6660 tolahs eight mashahs. 10, Penehlongel Dan. Four ploughs of gold, the same weight as the last article. 11, Dehra Dan, a representation of a piece of land, with mountains and rivers, made of gold, not weighing less than fixteen tolahs eight mashahs, nor more than 3333 tolahs. 12, Wishwachucher Dan. A golden sphere, weighing from fixty-fix tolahs eight mashahs to 3333 tolahs four mashahs. 13, Kulpleta Dan. A golden vine, weighing from fixteen tolahs to 3333 tolahs four mashahs. 14, Suptfagir Dan. A representation of the seven seas in gold, weighing from twenty-three tolahs four mashahs to 3333 tolahs four mashahs. 15, Ruttendheen Dan. A cow and calf made of precious stones. 16, Mahabhootghit Dan, is a golden figure with the head of an elephant, and the other parts human. This is Gunnies. Weight from fixteen tolahs eight mashahs to 3333 tolahs four mashahs.

According to some books, Toladan is the only kind that is proper, and none of the others should be less than 106 tolahs six mashahs, or more than 833 tolahs four mashahs. There are also different opinions about the manner of distribution; some maintaining that it ought to be first given to the Achareya, and by them distributed to others. An Achareya, is one who teaches the Bedes, and other sciences. Some direct it to be given to other Brahmins.

THERE are distinct ceremonies appointed for each kind of Dan; but they may be given at any time, although during eclipses, and when the sun enters the sign Capricorn, and some other seasons, are esteemed more especially meritorious. Great rewards are promised to those who are charitable, insomuch that for the first kind of Dan, if he weigh himself against gold, he will remain in paradise for one hundred million Kulps; and when he re-assumes an human form, will be a mighty monarch.

The Fourth kind of WORSHIP.

Sheradh, giving charity in the name of his ancestors, and which is done at various times, 1. The day on which he dies, and the anniversary thereof. 2. On the Tit,h Amavus, of every month. 3. The sixteenth Tit,h, of the month of Assin. 4, Bestowing charity in their names at some public place of worship.

THE following is the manner of performing the Sheradh. He gives to the Brahmins money, goods, and food, dreffed and undreffed, in the name of his father, grandfather, and great-grandfather; and of his mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

ACCORDING to the four tribes, when Pooja, Jug, Dan, and Sheradh are performed, the Deity is completely worshipped.

The OWTARS or Incarnations of the DEITY.

THE Hindoos of the fects of Nee-aiy, Beysheekeh, Beydant, Mey-mansa, Sank, and Patenjil, believe that God occasionally assumes an elementary form; which manifestation they call Pooran Owtar.

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THOSE numberless parts of the creation, which by the ray of divinity that they possess, are endowed with wonderful powers, they call Unsh Owtar.

The POORAN OWTARS.

THEY fay that during the four Jowgs, there will be ten Owtars; and that nine have already appeared.

MUTCH OWTAR,

WHEN the Deity was manifested under the form of a fish, of which they give the following account. In the country of Darawird, fituated at the extremity of the Dekhan, in the city of Behdrawutty, during the Sut Jowg, in the month of Phagun, on the Tit,h Ekadusfy, Rajah Mun, who had bid adieu to all worldly defires, and had folely employed himfelf in the worship of God, for above a million years, was performing his devotions on the beach of the river Kirtmala: and whilft he was performing his ablutions, a little fish came into his hand and faid, " Preferve " me." It remained in his hand for the space of a day and night, when having become larger, he put it into an ewer. When this would not contain it, he put it into a jar. But growing too large for it, he threw it into a well; from thence he removed it to a pond; and from thence into the Ganges. But this foon becoming too confined for the fish, it went into the ocean. When it had filled the ocean, the Rajah discovered it to be the Deity, worshipped it, and prayed to be informed of the cause of the manifestation. He heard the following answer, " I am the only God, and have " affumed

" affumed this body for the deliverance of yourself, and a sew "more of the elect. After seven days, a light shall shine forth, and the earth shall be deluged with water. Embark on board a certain ship, taking with you a sew righteous persons, together with the divine books, and the choicest medicines; and saften the ship to the horn, which grows out of my head." The deluge lasted one million seven hundred and eighteen thousand years; and when the deluge ceased, the fish disappeared.

KOWRUM OWTAR.

In the month of Katick Suckulputch, on the Tit,h Duaduffy, God appeared in the form of a tortoile. The Dewtahs wanted to churn the ocean, in order to make the water of immortality, in the same manner as butter is obtained from milk. For this purpose they made use of the mountain Minder, which is the largest in the universe, by way of a churn pole. The weight of the mountain was fo excessive, that they could not sustain it; so that it funk into the ocean, and they were not able to recover it, till God appeared in the form of a tortoile, and raifed it upon his back, when the Dewtahs obtained their wish. On this miraculous occasion, fourteen invaluable treasures were obtained from the 1, Lutchmeen, riches, appeared like a blooming bride, and bestowed blessings upon mankind. 2, Kowstubh Mun, a wonderful resplendent jewel, of inestimable value. 3, Parjatuchbeeretch, a tree whose flowers never fade, and whose order perfumes the universe. According to some it is oracular, and befsoora, wine. 5, Dehmunter, a physician who healed the fick, and raised the dead to life. In his right hand, he held a leech, and in his left a branch of the Mirabolan tree. His majesty says, that these ought to have been reckoned separately, and increased the number of blessings to sixteen. 6, Chunderman, the moon. 7, Kandhen, a wonderful cow, from whose dugs issued whatever was wanted. 8, Israput, a white elephant with four tusks. 9, Sunhh, a wonderful sounding white Conch shell, which bestowed victory upon whosover possessed it. 10, Amrit, or the water of immortality. 11, Bikh, deadly poison. 12, Rumbha, a beautiful woman of an amiable disposition. 13, Assoc, a horse with eight heads. 14, Sarengdhenook, a bow that never failed to carry an arrow true to the mark.

AFTER these discoveries, Kowrum descended into the earth, where they believe he is still existing.

BARAH OWTAR,

OR the hog; which incarnation happened at the city of Bermahwert, near Neemkhar, in the Soobah of Oudh, during the Sut Jowg, in the month of Katick, on the Tit,h Pooran Maffy, after the following manner. One Hirnakess, of the race of the Deyts, had passed a long life in religious worship. One day God revealed himself unto him, and asked him, what he wished for. Hirnakess, rejoiced at these words, enumerated all the noxious animals, and intreated that they might not have power to hurc

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him; and that he might be univerfal monarch. Shortly after he obtained his wifhes. When he took upon himfelf the government of the upper regions, he committed the earth to the care of one of his relations. The Dewtahs, accompanied by Brahma, went to Bishen, and they altogether laid their grievances before the Almighty. Hirnakels, in enumerating the noxious animals, had forgotten to include the hog, wherefore they received for answer, "I will manifest myself under that form, and deprive him of life." A short time after, God appeared in that form, and destroyed Hirnakels. They show the place where this happened, near Soroon.

NIRSINGH OWTAR,

Was an animal from the head to the waist like a lion, and the lower parts resembling a man. It appeared at the city of Kerenpoor, now called Herdoun, near Agra, during the Sut Jowg, in the month of Bysakh Suckulputch, on the Tit,h Chutterdussy.

It is related, that one Herenkishp of the race of the Deyts, having spent many years in austerities, God revealed himself unto him, and asked him what he wanted. He sirst asked, that his death might neither happen during the day, nor night. He then begged that he might be invulnerable from all noxious animals, naming them one by one: and concluded with demanding to be sole monarch of the earth, and of the upper regions. The Dewtahs were accordingly put under his command, and the universe groaned under oppressions. The chiefs of the Dewtahs, besought

befought Brahma to be their mediator with God; and he heard their prayer. Herenkishp had a son, named Pirladh, who affociated with the Dewtahs in their worship of the Deity, and notwithstanding his father did every thing to molest him, never could be made to swerve from his duty. One evening Herenkishp came to his fon, and asked him where the Deity was to be found. He described him as being every where, and in order to explain himself, pointed to a pillar, saying that he was manifested even there. Herenkishp ignorantly struck the pillar; when by the miraculous power of God, there issued from it the animal abovedescribed, and tore him in pieces. This happened at the interval between day and night, and not by any animal that he had defcribed. It is faid, that Nirfingh asked Pirladh what he defired, and that noble minded being asked only for Jewun Muckut, which is everlasting life, free from worldly joy, and forrow. This Owtar continued manifest 100 years.

BAMUN OWTAR.

In the Tirtya Jowg, there lived at the city of Soonbhedra, on the banks of the Nerbudda, one Kusht, the son of Mereeh, the son of Brahma. In the month of Bhadun, on the Tit,h Duadusty, Suckulputch, this Kusht had a male dwarf by his wife Arwut. This is the Bamun Owtar; and he lived 1000 years.

A PERSON of the race of the Dyte, named Bul, inflicted upon himself many austerities, in hopes of obtaining for his reward the monarchy of the universe. God appeared unto him, and granted his

his wish. When he assumed the government, he did not dispossels any of the Dewtahs. But although he performed various Juggens, he omitted to offer to the Dewtahs their appointed share; whereupon they, through the mediation of Brahma, prevailed upon Bilhen to dethrone him. He by his prescience foretold what should befall him, and which was accomplished to the very minute. When this infant dwarf was of a proper age, they placed him in the school of the philosopher Birdewaj, and he attended that philosopher at the Juggen which the Rajah performed at Koorkheyt. The Rajah asked him what he required, and he answered, " Give me as much land " as I can measure with three sleps." The Rajah was angry, and faid, " Why alk you fuch a trifle from me, feeing that I am fuch a " powerful monarch?" However, after a long conversation, he at last consented. The first step of Bamun, included the earth and Patall, and the second took in all the upper regions. The Rajah, in exchange for the third step, delivered himself up to him. Because the Rajah was naturally good, Bamun after depriving him of his kingdom, made him monarch of the infernal regions.

PURRISHRAM OWTAR.

In the Tertya Jowg, in the month of Byfakh Suckulputch, at Rungta near Agra, in the house of Jumdekhen, a Brahmin, there was born this child.

ONE Decruj, of the race of the Dyte, who had neither hands nor. feet, at that time fat upon the throne. He was very unhappy at his misfortune, and at length quitting the world, retired to the Vol. III.

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mountain of Kylass. Mahadeo had compassion upon him, and gave him a thousand hands, and made him monarch of the three regions. But he oppressed the Dewtahs till, at their prayer, God consented to put an end to his tyranny. They fay that Jemdekhen was a descendant of Mahadeo, and Runeeka, of the posterity of Adit, the mother of the Dewtahs. She had five fons, of whom Purrishram was the last. He was educated by Mahadeo in the moun ain of Kylas; and his father Jemdekhen worshipped in the desert. Deeruj was one day hunting, and happened to pass by the cell of Jemdekhen. Being very hungry and thirsty, Jemdekhen supplied him with exquifite viands, and also presented him with dresses and jewels belitting a monarch. The Rajah was astonished, and faid, " I will not ven-" ture to touch these things, till you have informed me in what " manner you came by them." He answered, " Indre, the mo-" narch of the upper regions, entrufted to my care the cow Kam-" dheen, and whatever I want she gives me out of her dugs." This account filled the Rajah with avarice, and he demanded the cow. Jemdekhen faid, that without the order of Indre, he could not comply with his defire, neither would he be able to take her by force. He was amazed, and having collected together a great number of troops, commenced hostilities, but without any effect. At last he came fecretly in the night, and killed Jemdekhen, but could not get any tidings of the cow. Runeeka fent for her fon Purrishram, and after performing the usual ceremonies of mourning, according to the cultom of her tribe, burnt berfelf, and fent her fon to revenge the death of his father. Purrilhram, possessed of divine power, after twenty battles, flew the Rajah, and restored the kingdom to-

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the Dewtahs. Then having collected together all the riches of the universe, he performed the Juggen, and bestowed the whole in charity; after which he retired from the world. They believe him to be still living, and show his habitation in the mountain of Mehinder in the Koken.

RAM OWTAR.

They fay that Rawen, of the tribe of the Rakufs, who was only two descents from Brahma, had ten heads and twenty hands. He spent ten thousand years in the mountain of Kylass, worshipping God; and devoted his heads, one after the other, in hopes to obtain for his reward the monarchy of the three regions. God appeared to him, and granted his desire. The Dewtahs, being oppressed by him, implored the Almighty to dethrone him. Their prayer was granted, and Ram appointed to execute the divine will. Ram was born in the Tertya Jowg, in the month of Cheyte Suckulputch, in the ninth Tit,h, in the city of Owdh. His father was Rajah Jesseut, and his mother Kooshelya. In his youth he acquired every art and science, and afterwards despising worldly enjoyments, traversed the deserts, and made pilgrimages to all the holy places. At length he became king of the earth, and destroyed Rawen, and introduced many laws.

KISHEN OWTAR.

ABOVE four thousand years ago, Ogur Sein, of the Jadown tribe, reigned at Mehtrah, but has dethroned by his son Kens, who assumed the government. At the same time Jerasund, Seis Paul,

Paul, and other Kings of the Dyte cast, exercised unbounded tyranny. The earth, thus oppreffed, affumed the form of a cow, and accompained by Brahma went to Biffien, and implored him to deliver her from those oppressors. He granted their request, and committed the execution of it to Kishen. The astrologers foretold Kenfs, that a person should soon be born who would deprive him of life, upon which he ordered that all the new born infants should be destroyed; and thus every year shed the blood of numberless innocents. His fister Deywuckee just now married Bussideo, of the Jadown tribe. At this time Kenss heard a voice faying, that the eighth fon of that marriage would kill him. He therefore threw them both into prison, and destroyed seven of their children. But in the beginning of the Kal Jowg, in the month of Bhadun Kishenputch, Tit,h Ashtoomee, Kishen was born in the prison at Mehtra. The guards were fallen asleep, the fetters fell from the feet of the father and mother, and the doors of the prison flew open. The infant faid, " Cross the " Jumna, and go to the house of Nunda Aheer, and while the " family are afleep, bring away his new-born daughter and leave " me in her stead." Busideo accordingly forded the river, and leaving Kishen in the house of Nunda, brought away his new-born daughter in exchange.

Kishen, in his ninth year killed Kens, and restored Ogur Sein to his Kingdom. He then made war upon the other tyrants, and destroyed them. HE lived one hundred and five years. He had 16,108 wives, every one of whom brought him ten fons and a daughter. And every wife thought that she possessed the whole of Kishen's affection.

BOODH OWTAR,

Was born to Rajah Sedowdhen, by his wife Maia, in the city of Mokta, in the Kal Jowg, in the month of Byfakh, Tit,h Sutmee Suckulputch.

THEY fay, that on account of the number of animals which were at that time facrificed in Juggens, the Almighty appeared under a human form, to convince mankind of the wickedness of this custom; and that he accordingly manifested himself at the time above mentioned, and lived one hundred years. Some account has already been given of him, in describing the doctrine of Boodh.

KULKEE OWTAR,

WILL be born of Bishenjun Brahmin, by Awejsirdence, in the city of Sembel, at the end of the Kal Jowg, in the month of Bysakh Tit,h Sutmee Suckulputch. He will live a hundred years.

THEY say, that the time will come when there will not be a monarch on the earth; when wickedness will be universal; grain scarce, and the life of men will never exceed thirty years,

but the greatest number will die before that period. And that God, to remedy all these evils, will assume a human form, and make the world flourish again by justice.

Some add fourteen other Owtars, increasing the number to twenty-four; and have written histories of each, containing wonderful relations.

THE Hindoos make images of the Owtars of gold, filver, and other materials, and worship them.

UNCLEAN THINGS.

Wine, blood, all the human excrements; a woman who has not performed her necessary purifications; the slesh of als, hog, dog, and their bones; also the dust that is shaken out of them, as well as of sheep and goats, and the dust of a broom, or out of a garment. Being touched by a sinner, or a crow, or a cock or hen, or a rat, or a mouse, or an eunuch, or a burnt net, or a washerman, or a hunter, or a fisherman, or a gamester, or a distiller, or an executioner, or a tanner, or a dealer in leather, or a dyer, or an oilman.

PURIFIERS.

FIRE, prayer, Purryanem Sendehya, funshine, moonshine, light of a fire, air, water, earth, ashes, mustard feed, wild grain, shade of a tree, the hind part of a cow's leg, a plough, milk, milk-curds, ghee, dung, and urine of a cow.

The MANNER of PURIFICATION.

THE foul is purified by knowledge, and religious worship; and when the body is defiled by any improper food, it is cleanfed by Puryanam, or Sindehya, or by eating wild grain. A drunkard is purified by melted glass. When the body is defiled by any impurity that proceeds from itself, it is purified by earth and water, and by washing the teeth and eyes. Water that has been defiled by the shadow of a chundal, is purified by funshine, moonshine, or wind. If any filth falls from an animal into a well, they must draw out fixty jars of water; and if the same accident happens to a pond, they must take out one hundred jars. If any filth falls into oil, it must be boiled. Milk cannot be purified, excepting from the shadow of a chundal, when it may be boiled. Cotton, molasses, or grain, after separating whatever had defiled it, must be sprinkled with water. Gold, silver, stone, vegetables, filk, and whatever grows in the earth, are purified by being washed in water. If they have been defiled by unclean oil, they must be washed in hot water. Wooden vessels if touched by a chundal, cannot be purified by any means. But if they are touched by any other unclean thing, or by a Sooder, they may be purified by scrapping. The same rule is to be observed for vessels of bone or horn. Any stone vessel that has been defiled, after being washed must be buried for seven days. - A sieve, or a pessle and mortar, is purified by being sprinkled with water. An earthen veffel is purified by being heated in the fire. The earth is cleanfed by fweeping, or by washing, or by lighting a fire upon it: or if a cow lies down upon it, or walks over it, or in time it will purify itself. If a cow touches any food with her mouth, or a hair, a fly, or any other insect falls therein, it is purified by ashes or water. If it is defiled by any filth falling off his own body, he must wash it with water, or fcour it with earth, till it is perfectly clean. If he defiles himself in the upper parts of the body, excepting the hands, he must scour himself with earth, and bathe. If he defiles himself in the lower parts, he is purified by washing the parts. If he is defiled by drinking wine, or by having connection with an impure woman, or by any human excrement, he is purified by washing, scouring with earth, and washing again, if below the navel; but if it happens above the navel, then after the fecond washing, he must anoint the parts with ghee, cow's milk, and curds, and cow's dung and urine, and he must also drink three handfuls of river water. If he is defiled by the touch of a washerman, or a dealer in leather, or an executioner, or a hunter, or a fisherman, or an oilman, or a tame hog, he is purified by water alone. But if he touches an unclean woman, a fweeper, a finner, a corpfe, a dog, afs, cat, crow, cock, or hen, or a mouse, or a camel, or is defiled by the smoke of a corpse that is burning; or by the dust shaken off an ass, dog, sheep, or goat, he must go into water with his cloaths on, look at the sun, and repeat some particular prayers. If he touches human fat or bone, he must bathe with his cloaths on; or drink three handfuls of water; or look at the fun; or put his hand upon a cow. If he is foiled with the blood of clean animals, he is purified by fcouring himself with earth and water. If a garment of wool or silk,

is polluted by fuch things as would require a man, if touched, to bathe, it is purified by the wind or funshine.

IMPROPER DRESS.

It is reckoned indecent for a Brahmin, a Kehteree, or a Byss, to wear any part of their dress of blue, unless it be of filk or wool. Excepting a Brahminee at night; and a Kehteree woman, whilst a bride, or at a feast, and a Byss woman when performing Sheradh. But they all take it off during meals.

FORBIDDEN FOOD,

Human flesh, beef, horse-flesh, house sowls, parrots, Shahrukh, pigeons, owl, vulture, camelion, Kirdaneh, Sares, Pepeeheh, water-sowl, frogs, snakes, mungoose, and all animals whose claws are joined together. All tame animals, excepting goat, red water-sowl, heron, dried-flesh, the five kinds of Rohoo sish, all carnive-rous animals, camel, elephant, rhinoceros, monkey, worms of all kinds, camels and mares milk; and the milk of all animals with parted hoofs; the milk of wild animals, and the milk of a cow for thirteen days after calving. The milk of a cow whose calf has died, till she has another; garlick, carrots, onions, grain that has grown in unclean ground; grain that has been touched by the foot of a man, or by the hand of an unclean woman. Any thing that comes from the house of an adulteres, or a thief, or of a carpenter, or of an usurer, or of a blacksmith, or of a polisher of metals, or of a goldsmith, or of a washerman, or of an executioner, or of a dealer

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in leather, or of a publick finger or dancer, or of one who fells arms, or of a distiller, or of a physician, or of a surgeon, or from the house of an hunter, or an eunuch. Neither is it lawful to eat any thing that has been dressed for the Dewtahs. Nor the food, nor leavings of any person who is mourning for a relation, nor the food of an irreligious woman, or of a great sinner. Cheese, and every thing of that kind that is made of milk, is also forbidden: and whatever is dressed without water or oil; and any thing dressed overnight; or any food that is desiled, and unpurished.

NEITHER is it allowable to eat before performing some ceremonies, which will be now described.

The Manner of DRESSING FOOD, and the Ceremonies to be observed before MEALS.

EVERY time before cooking, if it be in the house, the ground and part of the wall must be plastered with cow-dung and earth. If it be abroad, then as much ground as will contain all the cooking utensils, must be plastered in the same manner. No person, but the cook, must enter this place. The cook first bathes himself, then puts on a Dhowtee, and covers his head. If a piece of paper, a dirty rag, or any other silthy thing, salls upon the ground, which has been spread with cow-dung and earth, the food is spoilt. He must then begin again, by plastering the ground a-fresh with cow-dung and earth. The cook must be either a woman, or a Brahmin, who makes it his particular business, or a relation; unless the master of the samily cooks himself.

BEFORE eating they plaster the ground with cow-dung and earth.

They never spread any covering over the ground, but may sit upon a plank, or a stool.

THE following ceremonies must always be performed before. meals, 1, Hearing some part of the Bedes. Sprinkling water, as a libation for their ancestors. 3, Presenting some of the food to their idol. 4, Throwing a little food upon the ground, as an offering to the Dewtahs. 5, Giving some part to the poor. When these eeremonies are concluded, the children eat first, then the man's relations, and last of all himself. Two cannot eat out of one dish, not even infants. Only the cook can ferve up the victuals. He eats after all have done. For drinking, every one has also a separate cup. Formerly a Brahmin would eat at the house of a Kehteree or a Byss, and they were also allowed to eat at his. But fince the commencement of the Cal Jowg, no one will eat but in the house of his own particular cast. Formerly they used for their plates and dilhes the leaves of trees, as well as gold, filver, brafs, and roeyeen, and would not use copper, earthen ware, or stone. Now they refuse to eat out of a broken dish, or from off the leaves of Peepul, or Akh. They account it improper to eat more than once in a day, and once in a night...

Of their FASTS ..

The first kind. When they neither eat nor drink, for a day and night. There are twenty-nine such fasts in the course of the

the year, that are indispensable, viz. the two Akadussys and Duadussys of every month, Sewrat, Chutterdussy Suckulputch of Bysakh, which is the anniversary of the birth of Nersingh. The Tertya Suckulputch of Bysakh, or the nativity of Purrishram. The ninth of the Suckulputch of Cheyte, the nativity of Ram. Ashtoomee Kishenputch of Sawen, the nativity of Kishen. Some, at these times, abstain from eating grain, or from some particular kinds only.

The second kind. He fasts during the day, and eats at night.

The third kind. He eats nothing but fruits, and drinks milk or water.

The fourth kind. He eats once during the day and night.

The fifth kind. He eats only one particular kind of food, during the day and night; but as often as he pleases.

The fixth kind. Chanderayin, which has been described.

The seventh kind, He neither eats nor drinks for twelve days.

The eighth kind. This lasts twelve days. The first three days, he eats a little, once in a day. The next three days, he eats only once in the night. The next three days, he never eats any thing, unless it is brought to him. And during the last three days, he neither eats nor drinks.

The ninth kind. This lasts sisteen days, after the following manner. For three days and nights, he eats only one handful at night. For the next three days and nights, if any one gives him such an handful, he eats it, otherwise he does not take any sustenance. Then he eats nothing for three days and nights. The next three days and nights, he takes only a handful of warm water each day. The next three days and nights, a handful of warm milk each day.

The tenth kind. For three days and nights, he neither eats nor drinks. He lights a fire, and fits at a door where there enters a hot wind, which he draws in with his breath.

The eleventh kind. This also lasts fifteen days, thus. Three days and nights, he eats nothing but leaves. Three days and nights, nothing but the Indian fig. Three days and nights, nothing but the seed of the lotus. Three days and nights, nothing but Peepul leaves. Three days and nights, the expressed juice of a particular kind of grais called Doobah.

The twelfth kind. The following is his regimen for a week.

1 day, milk. 2, Milk-curds. 3, Ghee. 4, Cow's urine. 5, Cow's
dung. 6, Water. 7, Nothing.

DURING every kind of fast, he abstains from flesh, adess, lubya, honey, and molasses; sleeps on the ground; plays not at any game; has no connection with woman; anoints not himself with oil; neither shaves; shaves; and every day he bestows charity, and performs other good actions.

Of SINS.

THEY reckon these of seven degrees.

SINS of the first DEGREE.

KILLING a Brahmin. 2, Incest with his mother, 3, Drinking spirituous liquors, excepting the Sooder, with whom some kinds is not unlawful. There are three kinds of spirits; that distilled from rice or other grain; what is obtained from fruits or berries; and what is made from molasses and other sweets. The three are forbidden to the Brahmin, but the Kehteree, and Byss are only prohibited from the two sirst. 4, Stealing ten mashahs of gold. 5, Not making expiation for either of these sins for a year.

SINS of the fecond DEGREE.

LYING concerning cast. Speaking reproachfully of any one-to the king. Giving the lie to his tutor. Committing incest with his fister. Ravishing a virgin. Committing adultery with a sweeper, a dancing girl, a sisherman's wife, or a friend's wife, or with a daughter-in-law. Forgetting the Bedes. Giving salse evidence. Selling a relation. Eating any thing that is unlawful. Breach of trust. Stealing a man, a horse, jewels, or silver. Getting possession of land by fraudulent means.

SINS of the third DEGREE.

KILLING a cow. Committing adultery with any women that are not prohibited in the first and second degree. Thest. Killing a a woman, or a Kehteree, Bys, or Sooder. Practising magick. Committing oppression. Exacting illegal fines. Being a pimp in any degree. Being a proflitute. Treating with disrespect his tutor or parents. Usury. A Brahmin or Kehteree trading, unless they do it through necessity: but then he may not deal in the following articles; oil, salt, sweetmeats, dressed food, selamé seed, red cloths, hempen or linen, or woollen cloths, fruits, medicines, arms, poison, sless, perfumes, milk, honey, milk-curds, wine, indigo, lack, grass, or water: nor any thing made of leather. But on no pretence shall he neglect to perform Juggen to the Dewtahs, and reading the Bedes with his spiritual guide.

OTHER fins of the third degree are, neglecting to put on the Zenar at the proper age; refusing assistance to his relations in a manner besitting his circumstances; selling his wife, son, garden, or pond. Digging out of the earth any plant that he has not occasion for; reading books of any other religion. If a Brahmin enters into service, he sins in this degree. Also the younger brother marrying before the elder, is accounted a sin of the third degree.

SINS of the fourth DEGREE.

DISSIMULATION. Sodomy. Injuring a Brahmin. Smelling at wine, urine, or dung.

SINS of the fifth DEGREE.

KILLING any of the following animals; an elephant, horse, camel, 'deer, sheep, goat, buffaloe, neelghaw, and also fish. Exacting fines from those who are not subjected to them by the laws, such as sweepers, &c. A Byss dealing in any of the articles prohibited to a Brahmin or Kehtèree in the former degree. Lying. Serving a Sooder.

SINS of the fixth DEGREE.

EATING small infects, such as ants. Eating out of the hand, or vessel of a wine-bibber.

SINS of the feventh DEGREE.

STEALING fruits, flowers, or firewood.

AND for each Sin, there is a particular expiation.

THEY say, that whosoever kills a Brahmin will transmigrate into a deer, dog, camel, or hog; after which he will again become a man; but he will always be fickly, and die of a violent distemper. The only way to avoid this, is to tear off his sless by degrees, and throw it into the fire. To quit his samily for twelve years, and beg with a human skull in his hand, confessing his wickedness at every door. This is provided he killed him by accident; but if the murder was wilful, he must perform this penance for twenty-four years.

OUTWARD SINS.

THESE are innumerable; but the twelve following are accounted the worst, 1, Kerowd, being under the insluence of anger. 2, Lowbh, insatiable avarice. 3, Dooweekh, malice. 4, Rag, delighting in worldly pleasures. 5, Man, pride. 6, Mowh, ignorance. 7, Mud, being intoxicated with liquor, riches, youth, power, or knowledge. 8, Shewh, affliction at the loss of riches, or reputation, or for the abfence of friends. 9, Mumuttoo, considering the things of this world as his own. 10, Ahenkar, self love. 11, Bhie, searing any but God. 12, Hirkh, rejoicing at his own virtue, and at his enemy's vice.

It is the endeavour of all men who have a proper sense of the Almighty, to get free from these twelve human impersections, and render themselves worthy of his divine blessing. Some say that all evil actions may be comprised under ten heads; of which number the three following vitiate the heart: 1, Adopting the evil sentiments of another. 2, Evil inclination. 3, Thinking ill of God's elect. Three corrupt the body, viz. 1, Seizing another's property. 2, Distressing the innocent. 3, Adultery. And sour pollute the tongue, 1, Abuse; 2, Lying; 3, Slander; 4, Impertinence.

OH LORD defend us from these offences, and shower down thy mercy upon us.

PLACES dedicated to divine WORSHIP.

THE enlightened part of mankind, are sensible that true righteousness is an upright heart; and believe that God can only be wor-Vol. III. K k shipped shipped in holiness of spirit. But priests, who know the weakness of vulgar minds, have found it necessary to engage their imagination by the contemplation of visible objects. With this view they have declared particular places holy, and enjoined pilgrimages; which serve as a means of professing their faith; and the promise of suture reward, make men perform the journey with enthusiastic chearfulness.

THEY are of four kinds. The first, called Dive, are dedicated to Brahma, Bishen, and Mahadeo. Of these the principal, are the sollowing twenty-feven rivers, 1, Ganges. 2, Sersooty. 3, Jumna. 4. Nerbudda. 5. Beypassa, commonly called Beyah. 6. Buttistah, vulg. Behet. 7, Kowihekee, near Rohtals in Penjah; and part of it goes to the west quarter of Ghurhee. 8, Nundawuttee. 9, Chunderbhaka, vulg. Chinab. 10, Seryoo, vulg. Sirow. 11, Suttewlee. 12, Tapee, vulg. Tipence; Burhampoor is upon its banks. 13, Purrawuttee. 14, Passawuttee. 15, Goomtee, near Dewarka. 16, Gundnkee; Sultanpoor, and the Soubah of Owdh are upon its banks. 17, Bahode. 18, Deeka. 19, Gowdaweree; Putten in the Dekhan, flands in its banks. 20, Tamispermee, in the extremity of the Dekhan; it produces pearls. 21, Chirmenowtee. 22, Owrna, near Benaris. 23, Irawuttee, vulg. Rawee; Lahore is upon its banks. 24, Sutdduroo; Ledyanch is upon its banks. 25, Bheemruthee, also called Bheema, is in the Dekhan. 26, Pernasowna. 27, Bokhra; is in the Dekhan. 28, Atchmeeya. Some include the river Sind (or Indus). Each of these rivers being dedicated to one of the Dewtahs, has particular properties ascribed to it. There are also many places

places upon the banks of these rivers that are held sacred, amongst which is the town of Sowroon, on the banks of the Ganges; whither multitudes resort on the 12th of Aghun.

CITIES that are called DIVE, from being dedicated to BRAHMA, BISHEN, or MAHADEO.

Kashee, vugl. Benaris. The city, and round it for five cofe, is held facred. Pilgrimages are made to it throughout the year; but on Sewrat multitudes flock there from great distances. It is considered very fortunate to die here. The Hindoos say, that there are several kinds of Muchut, viz. Salookee, passing immediately through Paradise to Kylass. They say, that after a man has enjoyed Paradise, he will return into this world, and after undergoing various transmigrations, he will at last proceed from Paradise to Kylass, from whence he will never return. Sameopee, is when a man in return for his righteousness, after breaking the elementary bonds, is admitted into the service of God's elect, and never returns to this world. Sawyej, when having passed through all the degrees of rewards and punishments, he obtains immortal selicity, or the enjoyment of Muchus.

AJEWDHEYA, vugl. Owdh. It is held facred ground, to the diftance of forty cofe north, and twenty cofe fouth. It is a place of great refort on the ninth Suckulputch of Cheyte.

OWNITKA, vugl. Owjein; all round it for two cofe, is esteemed holy. On the Sewrat great numbers of people assemble here.

KANTEE, in the Dekhan; all round it for twenty cose is accounted holy. On the eighth of every Hindoo month, that falls on a Tuesday, this is a place of great religious resort.

MEHTRA. All round for the distance of forty-eight cose is held holy. The place was held facred before the birth of Kishen. The grand days at this place are the 23d of Bhadun, and 15th of Katick.

DOWARKA. The country for forty cose in length, and twenty cose in breadth, is esteemed holy. Pilgrimages are made thither on the seasts of Dewalee.

MAYA, vulg. Herdewar, on the banks of the Ganges, for eighteen cose in length is considered holy. Great numbers of pilgrims come here on the 10th of Cheyte.

THE above feven Cities are called the feven Lowpree.

Pyag, now called Illahabas; all round for twenty cose, is esteemed holy. They say, that when a man dies at this place, whatever he wishes for, he will obtain in his next regeneration. Although they believe that suicide in general will be punished with torments hereaster, yet they consider it meritorious for a man to kill himself here. This place is visited by the devout, throughout the year; but more especially in the month of Maugh.

NUGGERKOTE. Round for eight cose is accounted holy. Great multitudes of pilgrims assemble here on the 8th of Sawun, and Cheyte Suckulputch.

CASHMEER, is also esteemed holy land, being dedicated to Mahadeo; and some parts are esteemed peculiarly facred.

Religious places of the fecond rank, called Affoor, are dedicated to the race of Dyte. These on many occasions unite with the Dewtahs, but the latter are purer. The Dyte are the source of tum (anger), and assume hideous forms. Their temples are placed in Patall.

Religious places of the third rank, called Arkh, are dedicated to the Rehkehser. These are virtuous men, who are rewarded with high rank near the throne of God. Their temples are very numerous, and amongst them are Neemkhar, Phoker, and Khowshub in Budderee.

Religious places of the fourth rank, called Manook, who are virtuous men, a degree inferior to the Rehkhefir. These have also many temples, amongst which are Koorkeyte and forty cose round it. Multitudes affemble here during eclipses of the sun and moon.

THERE are certain rules laid down for each pilgrimage; and various rewards are promifed to those who perform them.

O THOU, who feekest after knowledge, learn a lesson from these sables! Every atom of the creation, is a sublime temple, which the Deity hath creeted, that human imagination may not wander in vain pursuits.

Of MARRIAGES.

THE Hindoos have eight kinds. 1, Brahmee. The virgin's father, or her nearest male relation, goes and brings the bridegroom to the house where she dwells, and makes preparation for the marriage. Then the girl's grandfather, or her brother, or any other male relation, or her mother, faith before the company, " I have betrothed fuch a woman to fuch a man." And the man gives his confent in the presence of the same people. Then they perform the Howm, and both parties declare that they have not any bodily imperfection, or infanity of mind. After this one of the girl's female relations walkes the feet of the bride and bridegroom. Next the bride and bridegroom mark themselves with a Khushkeh. There are placed in the middle of the affembly three veffels, one containing rice, one curds, and the other honey, which, after performing certain prayers, are given to the bride and bridegroom to eat. When all this is done, the couple are dreffed out, and carried to a corner, where they fit with a curtain between them.! The father of the woman, with all his fons, look towards the east, whilst a Brahmin repeats some prayers, after which he gives the bride and bridegroom fome rice, and five beetle-nuts each. Then the curtain is drawn up, and the bride and bridegroom throw the rice and beetle-nut upon each other. The Brahmin now puts the woman's hands into the man's, and after repeating a prayer, feparates them, and then ties together the hands of each with a flight thread. Then the bride's father takes hold of her hands, and gives her away to the bridegroom, faying, " May there " always be a partnership between you, and may it produce be-" nevolence and fatisfaction." To conclude, they light a fire and carry the couple round it feven times, which ceremoney makes them man and wife; and till this is performed, it is allowable to break off the match. 2, Dive, At a Juggen, all kinds of things are bestowed in charity, at the same time a virgin is given to a Brahmin; and this is their marriage ceremony. 3. Arsh, is when a virgin is given in exchange for a cow and a bull, which ceremony completes their marriage. 4. Rajeputty, is when a virgin is married with the ceremonies of Brahmee, during the performance of a Juggen. 5, Affur, is when a large fum of money is given to the girl's family by the bridegroom; and which constitutes their marriage. 6, Khandhir, is when they marry from mutual affection. 7, Raksh, is when any one takes away a man's daughter by force to his own house, and marries her there. 8, Pyshatch, is when a man is obliged by law to marry a girl whom he has ravished.

Or these eight kinds of marriage, the sour first are entered into only by Brahmins. The fifth is peculiar to the Byss and Soeder. The fixth and seventh for a Kehteree. The eighth is held difgraceful by all.

The Brahmins never give any dower to their wives. In the former Jowgs a Brahmin used to marry out of all the tribes; but it was not lawful for any one of the others to wed a Brahminee, neither were superiors and inferiors permitted to intermarry. But now no one chooses to marry out of his own tribe; and even the different branches of each marry only amongst themselves.

THERE are various tribes of Brahmins, but those most esteemed are descendants of the seven Rehkehser, viz. Kushp, Ater, Bhirdewaj, Bishwametre, Gowtum, Ungera, and Pullessee. Each of these have many branches, and the descendants of each of the seven original stocks are called Kull and Gowtir. A man and a woman of the same Gowtir, may not marry together, if their relationship be ever so distant.

Brahmin of one of the above feven Gowtirs, to perform their marriage and other ceremonies; and a Brahmin fo officiating is called Purrowhit. It is not lawful for a man and woman to marry, whose Purrowhits are both belonging to one Kull or Gowtir. Upon marriage, the woman quits her family's Gowtir, and goes into that of her husband. A younger brother cannot marry before his elder. They do not hold it commendable for the bride to be younger than eight, nor older than ten years. Twenty-five years they reckon the properest age for the man, and think it a folly for any one to marry after fifty. Excepting a Prince, it is not thought right for a man to have more than

one wife, unless she proves sickly or barren, or her children die in their infancy. In these cases, he may marry ten wives; but if the tenth prove exceptionable, he may not marry any more. If the first wife is unexceptionable, and yet he wants to marry another, he is obliged to give the first wife one third of his essate.

It was formerly the custom, that when any Rajah wanted to dispose of his daughter in marriage, he invited all the neighbouring Princes to a feast, at which his daughter made her appearance, and upon whomsoever she fixed her choice, she put round his neck a string of pearl. This ceremony was called Sowyembir.

Of DRESS.

Singhar, fignifies to ornament. Man is ornamented by twelve things. 1, Trimming the beard. 2, Cleanfing the body by ablution. 3, Making the Kushkeh. 4, Anointing with odoriferous oils. 5, Gold ear-rings. 6, A Jammah *, which is tied on the left side. 7, Mokt, the gold tassel or fringe that hangs out of the turband. 8, Sword. 9, Jemdher. 10, Ring. 11, Eating beetle. 12, Mouzah †.

Women are ornamented by fixteen things. 1, Bathing. 2, Anointing with oil, 3, Plaiting the hair, 4, Jewels worn on the top of the head. 5, Anointing with fandal. 6, Putting on cloaths, and which are of various kinds. The fleeves of some

[·] A long gown.

⁺ A kind of boots.

dresses reach below the ends of the fingers, and others come only to the elbow. Mostly they wear a Peishwaz, without any shirt, and which is called Ungeeah. Instead of drawers, some put on a Lengha, which is a Lowngee stitched on both sides, and sastened with a belt. It is also made after various other forms. Some have a Dunddeya, which is a long sheet worn over the Lengha; part of it is thrown over the head, and one end sastens round the waist. They also sometimes wear veils, and long drawers. 7, The Kushkeh. Some, besides the Kushkeh, ornamented the forehead with jewels. 8, Lamp-black, with which they make a beautiful collyrium. 9, Ear-rings. 10, Nose jewels. 11, Necklace. 12, A string of slowers, or pearl, hanging from the neck. 13, Staining the hands. 14, A belt, ornamented with little bells and jewels. 15, Ornaments for the seet. 16, Beetle. To which may be added soft blandishments.

JEWELS.

Seifphool, a flower resembling the marigold, made of gold, and worn on the head. Mang, an ornament worn upon the parting of the hair of the head. Gowthilladudir, is an ornament for the forehead, consisting of five short points, and a long one. Sehra, seven strings of pearl, or more, interspersed with natural flowers. This is fastened to the forehead, and covers the face. It is chiefly worn at marriages, and by a mother on the birth of a son. Teeka, a jewel in the shape of a crescent, which is worn upon the forehead. Bindelee, a round piece of gold smaller than a mohur, which is worn upon the forehead. Khuntehla, an ear-ring of a conical form. Kurrenphool, an ear-ring resembling a rose. Deerbutcha, another

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kind of ear-ring. Peepulputty, small crescents, nine, or more, of which are worn in each ear. Ballee Chumpakullee, a small golden rose, worn on the thick part of the ear. Mowrbhenwir, an ear-ring in the shape of a peacock. Beyfer, a kind of nose jewel. Phoolee, refembles a rosebud with a stalk, and is worn in the nose. Lowng, is a golden clove, which is worn in the nofe. Nut, h, a gold ring, upon which are a ruby and two pearls, or other jewels; it is worn in the nofe. Goolooband, a necklace, confifting of five or feven strings of very fmall gold roses. Har, a string of pearls, and flowers hanging from the neck. Hans, a collar. Kungun, a bracelet. Gujreh, a bracelet of pearls and gold. Fewee, five gold barley corn strung upon filk, and worn round the wrifts. Choor, another kind of bracelet. Bahoo, a fmall kind of bracelet. Chooreen, another very fmall kind of bracelet; feven of which are worn round each wrift. Bazoobund, ornaments for the arms. Taar, a hollow ring, worn upon the arms. Ungoothee, rings, which are of various forms. Choodirghunta, gold bells, strung upon silver wire, and worn round the waist. Kutmekhla, a gold belt. Jeeher, three gold rings for each ancle. Choora, two half circles made of gold, which join round the leg. Doondnhee, like the Choora, but ornamented with engravings. Muffowree, differs from the Doondnhee in nothing but the engraving. Payil, rings worn round the ancles. Ghoongroo, little gold bells strung upon filk, which are worn about the ancles, between the Jeeher and Payil. Bank, ornaments for the top of the foot, and which are either square or triangular. Beetcheva, toe rings, half a golden ball. Unwut, is a ring worn upon the great toe.

The jewels above described are made either plain, or ornamented with jewels; and are of various fashions. The Hindoo gold-fmiths are such exquisite workmen, that sometimes they charge a gold mohur for working a tolah of gold. His majesty has pointed out to them many improvements.

WORKMEN.

THE jewellers of other countries fasten jewels in the fettings, with lack; but those of Hindostan make use of a kind of gold which they call Kurden, and which is fo malleable, that the flory of Parvez's gold which he could mould with his hand like wax, feems credible. It is prepared by stratifying very thin plates of gold with field cow-dung, and a particular kind of falt called Sambbir, when it is put into a fire of cow-dung, which is fuffered to expire. And these operations are repeated till the gold is sufficiently refined. When it is thought to be quite pure, it is put into an earthen veffel, with lime juice, or fome other acid, and placed in the fire. After this, it is wound round a stick, and if it is not sufficiently ductile, the firatifications are repeated. The goldfmith first puts a little lack into the locket, and over it a piece of this Kurden gold. Then he presses down the stone upon the gold, and fastens the ends over the fides; which fixes the stone so fast, that there is no danger of its falling out. A goldsmith charges fixty-four dams for making a tolah of this Kurden.

Zerneshan. He enlays with gold, filver, crystal, cornelians, or steel. For every tolah of gold that is expended he charges 2½ tolahs.

lahs. If he enlays ivory, fish's teeth, or horn, with filver, he chargestwice the quantity that is expended.

Kofigur. He enlays with gold and filver, in a manner that somewhat resembles a file. For a tolah of gold, he charges one hundred dams; for a tolah of filver fixty dams. This is chiefly used for ornamenting arms.

Mienakar, enamels cups, flaggons, rings, &c. He first lays on the colour, and after enamelling, puts the metal into the fire two or three times. For a tolah of gold that he enamels, he charges fixteen dams; and for a tolah of filver seven dams.

Sadehkar, a plain worker in gold or filver. For one tolah of gold five dams and half; and for a tolah of filver two dams.

Subkehkar, pierced worker; he is paid double the price of the Sadehkar.

Minubbethar, raises flowers, &c. by means of a stamp. For a tolah of gold one dam.

Herenkar, enlays with little grains of gold. For one tolah of gold one rupee; and for a tolah of filver half a rupee.

Scemboft, makes gold or filver lace, which is used for sword belts, &c. For working one tolah of gold twenty-sour dams; and for one tolah of filver sixteen dams.

Sewadkhar,

Sewadkhar, fills with Sewad, or black varnish, engravings upon gold or silver, and polishes the ground. The black varnish is a composition of tutty, silver, lead, copper, and brimstone. For sine work, he charges two rupees for a tolah weight of the thing varnished.

Zirkowb, makes gold and filver plates.

THERE are also stone engravers, lapidaries, founders, and other artists, whose excellencies cannot be described here.

CEREMONIES on the BIRTH of a CHILD.

IMMEDIATELY upon the birth of a child, the father bathes himfelf in cold water, makes offerings to the Dewtahs, and the Sheradh for his ancestors. After which, he stirs with a gold ring some honey and ghee, which he puts into the mouth of the infant. Then the midwife cuts the child's navel string, when the whole samily become unclean. Whilst they continue in this state, they abstain from performing the Howm, worshipping the Dewtahs, reading the Gayteree, and all other ceremonies; confining themselves to inward remembrances of the Deity. If the child's sather is a Brahmin, all who are related to him, as far as the sourth degree of consanguinity, are unclean for ten days. The relations in the sisth degree, for fix days; those of the sixth degree, for sour days; those of the seenth degree, for three days; those of the ninth degree, for sour pehrs.

pehrs. And at the expiration of the above prescribed periods, they are clearfed by ablutions. If the father is a Kehteree, the family are unclean for twelve days, and if a Byss, or Sooder, sisteen days. The inferior branches of Sooder, are unclean for thirty days. During this time strangers will not eat in their houses. This state is called Sewtuck. But a prince is not subject to this uncleanness, nor any of his attendants; nor a physician; nor a cook; but on the sixth day they perform some religious ceremonies, and make rejoicings, and wash the mother and child.

The next day after the expiration of the Sewtuck, they name the child, and draw his horoscope, to which one of the letters of his name must have some affinity. This name never consists of more than sour letters. At the commencement of the sourth month, they place the child in the sun; before that time he is never carried out of the house. The sisth month, they bore his right ear. The sixth month, if it is a boy, they place round him various kinds of food, and let him eat whatever he chooses. If it is a girl, this ceremony is delayed till the seventh month. When the child is a year old, they shave his head. Some delay this till the third, and others till the sisth year. On the sisth year, they make rejoicings, and put the child to school. They always celebrate his birth-day, and every year make a knot on a thread of silk. For every one of these occasions, they have particular ceremonies and rejoicings.

HINDOO FESTIVALS.

In the month of Cheyte. 1, Serishtyad, the Purwah of Suckul-putch. 2, Nowrat, the nine first nights of the year. This is a great sessival of Durga, particularly at Nuggerkote. 2, Sirry-punchemeen, the fifth Tit,h of Suckulputch. 4, Asoga Ushtoomeen, the eighth Tit,h of Suckulputch. 5, Ramnomeen, the ninth Tit,h, the birth of Ram. 6, Chowterduss, the sourteenth Tit,h, 7, Poorunmasse, the fifteenth Tit,h. 8. Purwa, the first Tit,h of Kishenputch.

In the month of Bysakh. 1, Teej, the third Tit,h of Suckulputch, the birth of Purrishram. 2, Suthmee, the eighth Tit,h. 3, Chutterduffy, the fourteenth Tit,h, the birth of Nirsingh. 4, Amavus, the thirtieth Tit,h.

In the month of Jeyte, 1, Chuttert, hee, the fourth Tit, h. 2, Duffmeen, the tenth Tit, h. This day they call Duffereh.

In the month of Affar, the feventh, eighth, and eleventh Tit, hs; and according to some the fifteenth also.

In the month of Sawun, 1, Poorumassee. 2, The eleventh Tit, h of Suckulputch, which with the Brahmins is the greatest selfival throughout the year. On this day they wear round their wrists the Rackhee, which is a thread, sometimes ornamented with pearls. 3, The sisth Tit, h of Suckulputch.

In the month of Bhadun. The fourth, fifth, fixth, and twentythird Tit,hs. The last is the birth of Kishen. Others place this event on the seventh of Sawun.

In the month of Affin. The first nine nights, which they account very holy; together with the tenth Tit,h, which they also call Dehserch. This is the vulgar reckoning; but in their books the Dehserch is placed in the month of Jeyte; and this sestival is there called Beyjy Dussmeen. They dress themselves out on this day, and wear on their heads green barley. On this day every mechanick worships his tools, which he considers a great ceremony. This is the greatest holiday for the Kehteree. Others add to the foregoing sessions, the Seradh, or Kunnagut, on the sisteenth Tit,h of Kishenputch. During all these sisteen days they bestow charity.

In the month of Katick. Purwa. This they call Bul Raj, and account it a great festival. On this day they dress out their cattle. The second, ninth, eleventh, twelsth, and thirtieth Tit, he are also sessively. The last is the Dewalee, which, like the Sheb Berat of the Mohammedans, is celebrated with illuminations. It begins on the 29th, which night they reckon lucky for many undertakings, and for playing at dice. This is the greatest Byss festival.

In the month of Aghun. The third, seventh, eighth, and ninth Tit, hs.

In the month of Poos. The eighth of Suckulputch.

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In the month of Maug. The third, fourth, fifth, and feventh Tit, hs. The fifth they call Buffunt. It is the commencement of spring, and they celebrate it with great rejoicings; throwing at one another different coloured powders, and singing. In ancient books, the seventh Tit, h is accounted the greatest selfival in this month.

In the month of Phagun. The eleventh Tit,h of Suckulputch, which they call *Hoolee*. It begins properly on the thirteenth, and continues till the feventeenth. It is a feafon of great merriment, which is much increased by throwing at one another powders of different colours. On the last night, they light fires, and throw into them various things. This is a Sooder festival. The twenty-ninth day and night of this month, they call *Sewrat*. They keep awake all night, and account it lucky for particular undertakings.

THE Brahmins have also the following holidays in every month.

1, Ashtômeen; 2, Chowturdussy; 3, Poorunmassee; 4, Amavus;

5, Sunkerant; which is the day when the sun moves from one sign into another.

The CEREMONIES with the DEAD.

WHEN a man is so ill that his life is despaired of, they take him from off his bed, and place him upon the ground; shave his head, and wash his body. The Brahmins repeat certain prayers over him, and his family bestow charity. Then they plaster the ground with cow-dung, and strew it over with green grass. After which

they lay him down to fleep upon the grass upon his back, with his head towards the north, and his feet towards the fouth; or if a river or tank be near, they carry him there, and place him up to his middle in water. When his dissolution approaches, they put into his mouth Ganges water, gold, ruby, diamond, and pearl, and place upon his breast a Tulfy-leaf, which the Hindoos esteem holy; and make a Kushkeh upon his forehead with a particular kind of earth. They also give away a cow. When he expires, his fon, his younger brother, his scholar, and particular friends, shave their heads and beards: some defer it till the tenth day. Then they dress the corpse in a dhowtee, and a winding sheet. If a woman dies during the li e of her husband, they do not shave her head, but dress her in her ordinary cloaths. The corpse is carried to the fide of the river, and laid upon a pile of Palass wood. A Brahmin then repeats some prayers, and pours some ghee into the mouth of the deceased, and puts small grains of gold into his eyes, nofe, ears and other apertures. If the deceafed leaves a fon, he fets fire to the pile, otherwife his younger brother, or also his elder brother. All his wives embrace the corpse, and notwithstanding their relations advise them against it, expire in the flames with the greatest chearfulness. The funeral pile for great people, is made of lignum aloes, and fandal wood.

A HINDOO wife who is burnt with her husband, is either actuated by motives of real affection; or she thinks it her duty to conform to custom; or she consents to avoid reproach; or else she is forced to it by her relations.

THEY burn not a Sonnyaffy, nor an infant who has not cut its teeth, but bury them, or throw them into the river. Neither ought any of the following descriptions to be burnt; one who does not believe in the Bedes; one who acts contrary to his faith; a thief; a woman who has murdered her hulband; one who has committed any of the five deadly fins; nor a drunkard.

Is the corpfe cannot be found, they make an effigy of the body with reeds, and cover it with deerskin and Palass, and a cocoa nut ferves for the head. This they pray over, and burn.

Ir a wife is pregnant at the time of her hufband's death, she is not allowed to burn herself, till after her delivery. If he dies on a journey, the wives burn themselves along with his cloaths, or any thing else that belonged to him. Some women who have been prevailed upon, by their relations, or have persuaded themselves against burning with the corpse, have found themselves so unhappy, that they have chearfully submitted to expire in the slames, before the next day.

AFTER the corpfe is burnt, his relations and friends dishevel their hair, reverse their zenars, and bathe themselves; each leaving on the side of the river two handfuls of Sesamè seed; and after performing these ceremonies, they stand upon a green spot. The friends of the deceased exhort his relations to bear their loss with patience and resignation, and accompany them home, the young people walking in front. When the relations arrive at the door

of the house of the deceased, they taste a bit of Neemb * leaf, and then enter.

THE fourth day after the death of a Brahmin; or the fifth day after the death of a Kehteree; or of a Byss the ninth; or of a Sooder the tenth day; the person who put fire to the funeral pile, visits the spot and personnes certain ceremonies.

THE ashes and bones are collected together, and thrown into the Ganges. But if it is at a great distance, they put them into an earthen vessel, and afterwards enclose them in a bag made of deerskin, and convey it to that river; on which occasion other ceremonies are performed.

Is the deceased is a Brahmin, all his relations for ten days sleep on grass, spread on the ground, and cook not any victuals, eating only what is sent there, or can be bought at market. For ten days, the person who put fire to the pile, makes an offering of boiled rice and milk to the deceased, for the nourishment of his new body. They say that when the soul quits this earthly body, it animates another subtle body, which they call Percet. And they believe, that as long as the soul continues in the Percet body, it cannot enter Paradise. This Percet body vanishes at the expiration of ten days, when certain ceremonies are performed upon the soul's entrance into another body, which is admitted into Paradise. This is for a Brahmin; but the

other tribes continue in the Percet body according to the length of their respective Sewtuch.

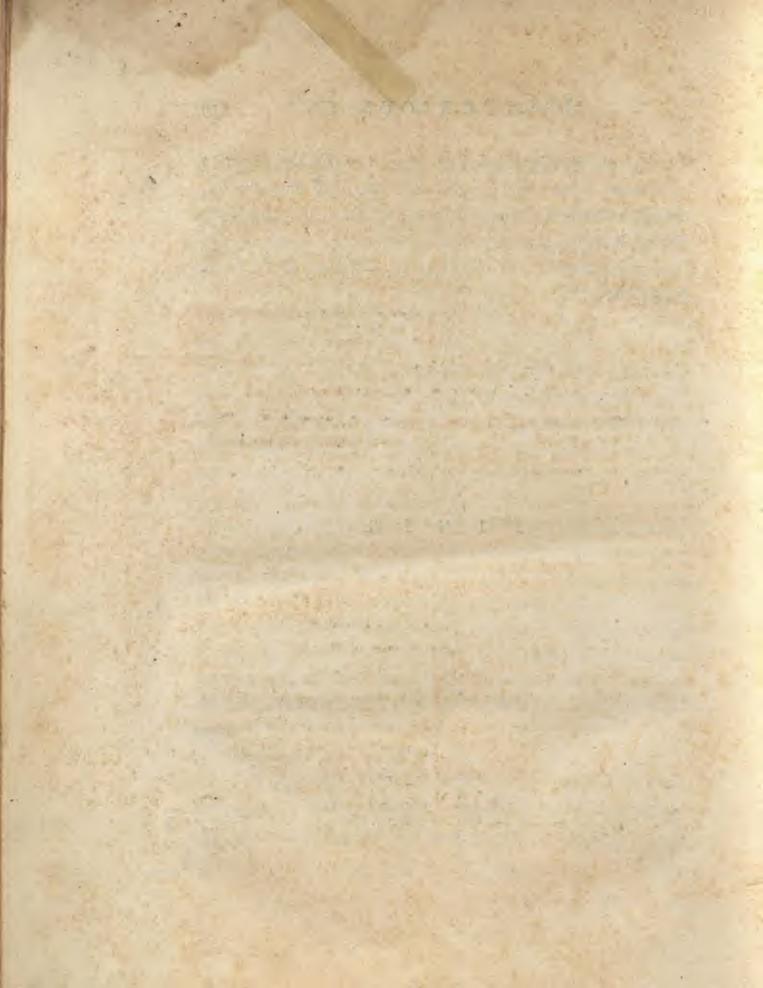
Some other ceremonies are also performed for Brahminson the eleventh day; and for other tribes on the twelfth day.

IF a Brahmin dies out of his own house, and an account of his death is received by his family in less than ten days after, whatever time is wanting to complete that space, during that they continue unclean. If the intelligence arrives after ten days, then they are unclean for three days. But his fon, whenever he receives the intelligence, is unclean for ten days, although he had not put on the Zenar. If a child dies before he had cut any teeth, or before the feventh month, the family are unclean: for one day only, and are purified by ablution. If the deceafed child was two years old, they are unclean for a day and night. For the death of a child, from the time of flaving the head, till eight years of age, the family are unclean for three days and nights. For the death of a daughter, under ten years of age, the family are purified by one ablution. If the dies after that age, until the day she is betrothed, they are uncleanone day. If the dies after marriage, her father's and her hufband's. family are unclean for three days.

MERITORIOUS kinds of SUICIDE.

THESE are five in number, 1, Starving. 2, Covering himfelf with cow-dung, and fetting it on fire, confuming himfelf therein. therein. 3, Burying himself in snow. 4, At the extremity of Bengal, where the Ganges discharges itself into the sea, through a thousand channels, he goes into the water, enumerates his sins, and prays, till the aligators come and devour him. 5, Cutting his throat at Allahabad, at the confluence of the Ganges and the Jumna.

FINIS.



EXPLANATIONS

OF SOME

SANSCRIT WORDS.

A

A BEDEEYA, the exercise of Auwerunsuckut, or the internal power of knowledge.

Abhow, privation.

Abadhpelheetoo, ignorance of the privation of what is required.

Aberaj, misconceiving, and putting a false value upon worldly things.

Abeyshruj, vide Aneysheruj. Abeehyais, habitual virtue.

Abeyshooruj. Those operations of the foul which lead to misconception.

Acharej, amongst the followers of Jine, is one who explains to the noviciate any difficulties that occur in his studies.

Adherem, unhappy confciousness.

Adehyatemk, pain occasioned by envy and ill nature.

Adehbhowtek, pain occasioned by the

Adehdewik, paininflisted by the Dewtahs. Adhowt, amazement.

Adit, the fun. The father of the Dewtahs.

Aginhowter, a particular kind of burnt facrifice.

Ageeyan, ignorance.

Ahenkar, worldly defire.

Ahenfa, not to kill or molest any ani-

Ajewnej, a body that is not produced by generation.

Akafs, ether.

Akullisht, the inclination to do good. Alsee, sloth.

Alubdwumkutto, ficklenefs.

Anewneeabhow, feparation of two things.

Antentabhow, a negative that differs in place, but agrees as to time.

Anoortektottoo, a mind not to be fatis-

Anuntgeyan, analytic knowledge. Anuntderfun, fynthethic knowledge.

Anuntfook, total rest.

Apoorickh, deliverance from one pain by fuch means as will not produce another.

Apic, aqueous.

Apurttoo, proximity of time or place. Apnee, shewing the cause in the place required.

Apunchekurt, an invisible atom.

Appergench, despising and rejecting all worldly possessions.

Art, hwed, the praise and reward of religious duties.

Arjfutter, the four Predicaments used by the followers of Boodh.

Afmewaiykaren, external or apparent

Affulpurrutputchtoo, an appearance refembling what is fought.

Affeecha, forgiveness of injuries.

WOL. III.

Assemper -.

Affempergeyat, when the imaginary form of the Deity vanishes from the mind, and nothing remains but the contemplation of his effence.

Afteeyee, not to pollels more wealth

than is really useful.

Affun, fitting in a particular manner-

Afunnya, irrational beings.

Asherum, the four Hindoo degrees of discipline.

Ashowmeedh - Juggen, a facrifice performed by great monarchs.

Atma, the foul of the universe.

Atentick, the diffolution of ignorance.

Auwerunfuckut, the internal power of knowledge.

B

Bad, controverfy in pursuit of knowledge.

Baiweeva, ærial.

Bede, the divine book revealed to Brahma. It was afterwards divided into four, viz. Rig, Jejer, Sam, and Atehrbun. This division is by some attributed to Byass; whilst others maintain that Brahma uttered one from each of his four mouths.

Berhemcharee, the first of the four Hindoo degrees of discipline.

Betenda, indirect proposition.

Beyg, an accident produced by motion, and which becomes the cause.

Beeputcheefuttoo, knowing that in whatever placethere is not what is required, neither can there be the confequence.

Beyperjee, misapprehension.

Berag, comprehending and despising the things of this world.

Beychipt, when the heart is fixed upon one object, and is a little at reft. Beapeyee, deprayed knowledge. Birbede, the ceffation of the exercise of the external faculties of knowledge. Beert, the inclination to do good or bad. Beyedeh, sickness.

Behrantdurshun, corrupt knowledge. Beyperj, searching after the Jowg, with

earnell delire.

Beddya, feience, art.

Bhawona, the means by which any thing is forgotten or recollected.

Bhutt, an action which produces good. Bhoom, five flates of the mind, viz. Chipt, Mowdh, Beychipt, Eykagur Nyrodch.

Bhoopirtee, the flate when the mind is not able to diffinguish between the elements and the senses.

Bidh Juggen, a very expensive facrifice of animals; and at which large sums of money are distributed.

Biklup, doubt concerning the Deity.

Boodh, human knowledge.

Brimmah, Cod.

By s, or Bice, the third of the four Hindoo tribes.

Byfekh, foreign accident.

Byfheeshtee, the arrival at privation, which they reckon a distinct state.

C

Charburren, the four original Hindoo tribes, viz. Brahmin, Kehteree, Bice, and Sooder.

Chickeerkha, the creative will of God.

Chit, defire of knowledge.

Chipt, when the heart is not fixed upon one object,

Chanderayen, a fast explained in p. 169. Chundal, one whose father is a Sooder and his mother a Brahminee.

Chul, false preposition.

Chutternook, the union of four atoms.

Dan, alms.

Deyet, a race of genii, created from fire.

Derb, substance in general.

Denook, the quantity of two atoms. Derug, the quantity of three atoms.

Denedan, the expiration of one day of Brahma.

Dehema, the heart having only one de-

Dehyan, keeping the heart fixed upon

one object.

Dehremdigh, the broom which a Jine always carries in his hand, to fweep the ground before he fits down, for fear of killing any infect.

Dherem, happy consciousness.

Dishtant, inference.

Digneer, followers of Jine who go quite naked, and inflict upon themselves great severities.

Dowkh, the cause of prudence.

Dookh, pain.

Dooweekh, anger.

Durwuttoo, progressive motion.

Dundowt, proftration.

Dhowtee, a piece of cloth worn over the lungowtee.

E

Eykagur, when the paffions are fo far fubdued, that the heart never wanders from its primary object.

Eysittoo, the power of creating and

deftroying.

G

Gaiybeyeh, the knowledge of past and future events, which the followers of Nee-aiy believe may be obtained by mortals, through rightcousness. Geeyan, omniscience; also worldly knowledge, and the knowledge of God. Geeyan Indree, the five senses.

Gerakeyh Summaput, contemplation of the elements.

Girketter Summaput, when the mind employs only Atma.

Girken Summaput, when the mind employs only one of the fenfes.

Goon, sensible qualities.

Gowrtoo, gravity.

Gund, fmell.

Gundhirp, the heavenly chorifters.
Gunnies Sikh, one who has followed the dicipline of Jine for fix months.

H

Hadet, expansion.
Hust Joash, a composition of metals deferibed in vol. 1. page 49.
Heeyut, proof by inference.
Herengirbeh, the invisible body.
Hirso, the quantity of two atoms.
Howm, a burnt sacrifice, to perform which they preserve perpetual fire.

I

Inderee, fensation.

Irt,h, substance.

Irthapute, advancing the cause, and requiring the effect.

Issue manifestation of the Deity.

Itcha, omnipotence, will, desire.

Iyou, all the parts of a syllogism.

Iyshruj, those operations of the soul which lead to knowledge.

Iyssue manifestation of the Deity.

Iyssue manifestation.

Iyiffocrej, the power of working miracles.

J.

Jaut, artful proposition.

Jaut Saman, inseparable accident.

Jelp, proposition of number.

Jew Atma, animal and vegetable life.

Jewnej, animals produced by generation.

Jerayooj, viviparous.

Jennum, birth, regeneration.

Jeytun, voluntary action.

Jetty, a proficient in the doctrine of Jine.

Jowg, a complete victory over the paffions.

Jun, amongst the followers of Jine, is

their prophet, and who is also called

K

Teertehnkez.

Kal, time. Kamee, an action which produces the defired effect. Kammebyayeetoo, the power of accomplishing whatever one defires. Keywulbitreekee, negative inference. Keylaivenwee, politive inference. Khurderlun, fix modes of knowledge; the fix orthodox Shafters, 1. Nee-aiy, 2. Beytheekhek, 3. Beydant, 4. Meymanfa, 5. Sank, 6. Patenjil. Khundpurlie, the diffolution of the univerfe, which will happen when a Brahma is in the state of Muckut. Kurrum, motion, also the approved actions of the vilible world. Kurrum Indree, a person who has the full exercise of his bodily faculties. Kurrumkand, the performance of all the duties enjoined by the Bedes, Kullisht, the inclination to do evil;

Kuma, compassion, and striving to relieve the distressed.

Kushup, the son of Barincheh, the son of Brahma, and sather of the sun.

Kushkeh, a mark which the Hindoos make upon their foreheads, and different parts of the body, particularly described in page 218.

L

Lingfireer, a general term for the ten Indrees, Untuhkurrum, and the five kinds of air, making together fixteen things.

Lutchen, conceiving the meaning of fixteen predicaments of Nee-aiy.

Lungowtee, a piece of cloth that coversthe privities.

Lungee, a piece of cloth worn over the lungowtee.

M

Maia, the exercise of Pitchutsuckut, the external power of knowledge.

Mahavede, according to the followers of Jine, will be the last inspired mortal.

Marik, the belief that the world is continually vanishing and appearing.

Mamedehee, the explanation of great and indispensable duties.

Mahapurlie, the general diffolution. Meht, the quantity of all the elements. Meehtageeyan, miscomprehension.

Mehtet, according to the followers of Sank, is the first created substance. Meytree, philanthrophy.

Mowh, believing that to exist which doth

Mowdh, when the heart is contented, notwith-

notwithstanding it doth not obtain its

Moodeh, taking pleasure in the virtue of others.

Mun, the mind.

Muckut, an absorption in the nature of

the Supreme Being.

Munnum, implicit faith in the Bedes, and in the doctrines of the righteous, and conforming to them exactly.

Munnook, mankind.

Mudbhoomieh, clearing the heart from all impurities.

Narkee, the evil spirits who inshed torments in hell.

Naftick, Atheilm.

Nerode, the state of rest which the foul enjoys immediately before it enters into Muckut.

Nergoonpirmeyfir, the Supreme Being.

Neruck, bell-

Nerookt, a detail of traditions.

Neemet,h, an indifpentable duty.

Neem, vide page, 1 10.

Nirnee, conviction obtained from the

adverfary's arguments.

Nidhafen, the contemplation of divine things till it becomes habitual.

Nickeddeh, an action which produces evil.

Nidra, fleep.

Nowrufs, the nine human pallions.

Nyrodeh, when from having fubdued the pallions, the heart begins to have fome knowledge.

Opaypertee, being only able to diffinguilh Atma; and this is the state of Muckut.

Owpallna, faith in God.

Pak Juggen, a burnt facrifice to the Dewtalas.

Parayanam, vide page 141.

Peragabhow, a past negative.

Perdehnsebhow, a compound negative. Pertegnya, uttering the propolition.

Petree, those whose ancestors for several generations have been virtuous, when they assume paradifical forms, enter into a region fo called.

Perkeya, feeking after righteoufnefs. Pertehmkeleek, an earnest defire to subdue the passions.

Peerjeeayajowt, the power of working miracles.

Peerteyehar, the five fenfes regaining the exercise of the faculties, after a holy trance.

Peeran, the cause of life.

Peer, spiritual guide.

Phul, fruit, reward.

Pingeela, breathing through the right noftril.

Pitchusfuckut, the external power of knowledge.

Poormanoo, perfect knowledge.

Poorub Meymanfa, the duties preferibed by the Bedes.

Pooruck, flopping the left nostril, and breathing through the right.

Poorutkeert, the fruits of good works. Poorteah, knowledge obtained through the fenfes.

Pooran Owtar, incarnation of the Deity. Poojah, vide page 226.

Puryujen, caule.

Purmiey, comprehention.

Purtely, the five fenses and the mind.

Purweert, voluntary action.

Pur Atma, the intelligence pollefled folely by the eternal God.

Purtoo,

Purtoo, distance of time or place.

Putchfuttoo, the perfon who knows what is fought to be an absolute confequence.

Pureytcha, the performance of the fixteen predicaments of Nec-aiy.

Purlie, diffolution. Purran, the foul.

Purakert, the diffolution which will enfue at the expiration of one day of the life of Brahma.

Purmanheert, knowledge obtained thro'

Purmad, forgetfulness of indispensable duties.

Purraniyan, breathing in a particular manner.

Purrookus, that knowledge which is not obtained thro' the senses; inspiration.

Purwertekh, a degree above a Gunnies Sikh, which fee.

Punnias, another name for Sithowl. Purreetbhow, transmigration. Purreytun, contrivance.

R

Rakh, defire.
Rakufs, evil Dewtahs.
Raoudre, anger.
Rajfew Juggen, the great facrifice, at which only monarchs can officiate.
Ruj, reft.
Rutnadekh, another name for Sithowl.

S

Samance, separable accident.
Samwaiy, similitude; relation, and corellation.
Saman, whole, entire.
Samgurree, final cause.

Sadershee, a property common to two things.

Sakapirmey fir, one who is inspired.

Sereer, matter.

Scrishte, the renovation of the world, after its dissolution.

Serawuck, a follower of Jine who purfues worldly occupations.

Semadeh, love of retirement.

Sewadehyny, reading the divine books; remembering the divine attributes; and performing those actions that lead to Muckut.

Seweetambir, called also Sewreh, vide line, page 155.

Shirwun, hearing and perfectly comprehending the Bedes, and the traditions of the righteous.

Shafter, a book on any subject.

Shuckt, an invisible property dependent upon something else.

Sheradh, in Bengal written Seradh, offering to the manes of their ancestors, as far back as the third generation.

Sikh, a noviciate in the discipline of line.

Sidha, earnest defire of obtaining the state of the Jowg.

Sithowl, a visible atom. Sithowlfireer, visible body. Sindhant, positive proof, Soorug, Paradife, the sky.

Sooroop, the union of spirit and matter.

Sooperis, the touch. Sookh, eafe, reft.

Sootethaig, efteem, veneration.

Soomrut, any thing which had been forgotten and is recollected.

Sooter, an epitome.

Sootranitk, a feet of the followers of Boodh, who confider all things to be only the effect of imagination.

Sochum, an invisible atom. The followers of Beydant say, that every ani-

mal

mal has a visible and an invisible body. The visible body they call Sithowlfireer, and the invisible one Sochum Sireer.

Somrut, belief that the Jowg will prove highly beneficial.

Sowah, avoiding all connection with mankind.

Sunkehya, unity, also the order of numbers.

Sunjowg, union.

Sunshee, doubt, doubtful.

Subdh, tradition. Sunneyah, fluidity.

Sund ar, reflection, repulfive quality.

accident whose occurrence does
make any alteration in the original

tte of the fubiliance.

Sobd, found,

Sumbedeh, the fame as Maia. Sumwaiykareh, material caufe.

Supplieheefuttoo, knowing the place, and the necessary confequence.

Sunjeerkha, the destructive will of God. Sungreh, the doctrines of the three heretical sects, Jine, Boodh, and Nastick. Subde, the dissolution of the accidents. Sunkeyna, the names and proportions

of things. Sunka, the conjunction of good and evil

confciousness.

Summedea, the causes of desire and anger.

Sun, a cypher. Sut, affection.

Sumrut, recollection.

Suttyan, difinclination for good actions. Sumperjeyet, an ideal form of the Deity, obtained by inceffant contempla-

Suttee speaking nothing but truth. Suntowly, relinquishing all improper

pleafures.

Summadeh, the extinction of knowledge and reflection. Subhow, fpecial cause.

T

Tamisindree, the perception of darkness. Teyjis, igneous.

Tereeshnowk, the union of three atoms. Terjung, animals produced by the prevalence of Ruj.

Teertehnkir, the prophet of the followers of Jine.

Tum, anger.

Turrek, negative proof.

Tup, reconciling the mind and body to heat, cold, hunger, thirst, and silence.

V

Veer, joy.

U

Un, the indivisible atom. Monade. Unebhow, conjecture, opinion.

Undkhar, darkness.

Unduj, oviparous.
Unkar, the word directed to be continually repeated, by such of the followers of Patenjil as cannot read the Bedes.

Unneweebitreekee, positive and negative inference.

Unman, conjecture.

Unpelubdeh, ignorance of things.

Unth Owtar, any substance that is held holy.

Untahkurrem, a fubtle effence, differently modified by Sut, Ruj, and Tum-

Weedineh,

Weedineh, future rewards and punish-

Wymaneck, paradifical blif.

Zendek, a worshipper of fire, a follower of the Zend.

Zenar, the thread worn by the three principal Hindoo tribes, page 214.

In Pages 6 and 7. for Bribma read Brabma.

Page 10 line 8. Almegest read Almagestam.

Brilebuck rend Britebuck,

Page 12 line 13. War should be in Italick, being a Sanscrit word.

Page 16 note line 7. for one read none.

13. for parallet, read parallel.

24 line q. for is read are.

34 2d note line 1 dele me.

35 note, add at the end B.

Pages 82 and 83 for brahminical thread tend Zenar.

Page of line 12 after the words Creation and State infert semicolous.

106 line 6 for oily read fluidity.

128 line 14 and 17 for Omniscience read Knowledge.

128 line 15 for Aneverunjuckut read Auguerunjuckut.

131 line 5 for fubrility read fubrilty.

143 line 14 for fwimmer read diver.

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153 line 15 after and infert a.

153 line 24 for untruth read untruths and for fallsboads read fins,

155 line 21 for Seateaneer read Sequeetambir.

159 line y before pleased infert being.

162 line to for contain read contains.

208 line 6 before fball infert be.

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223 line 26 order read oder.

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238 line 6 after Runecka infert bis quife.

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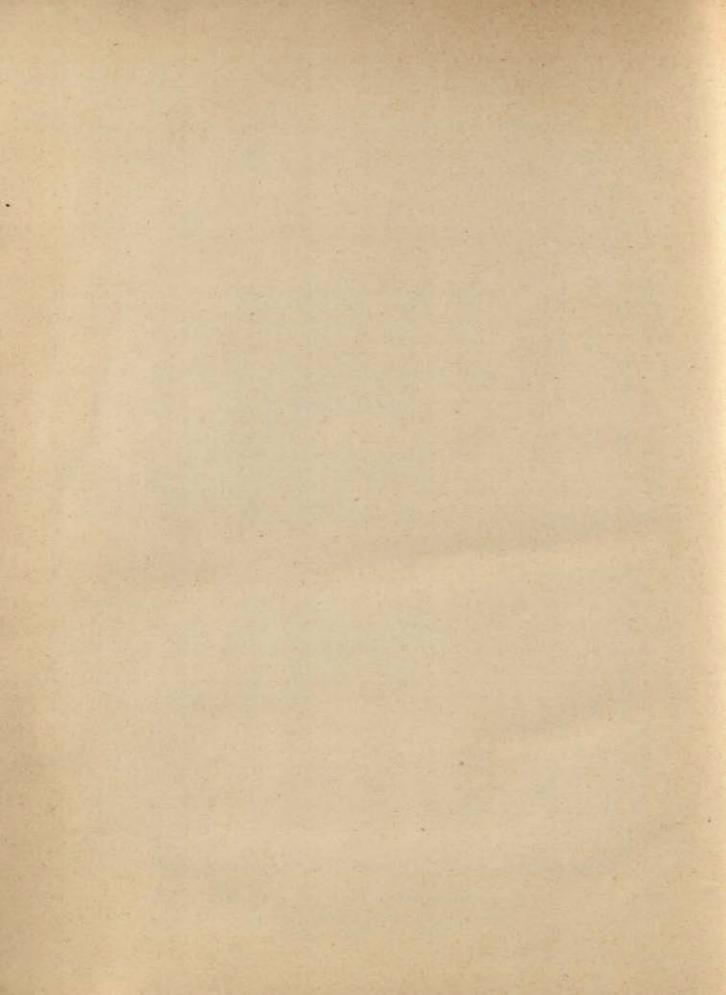
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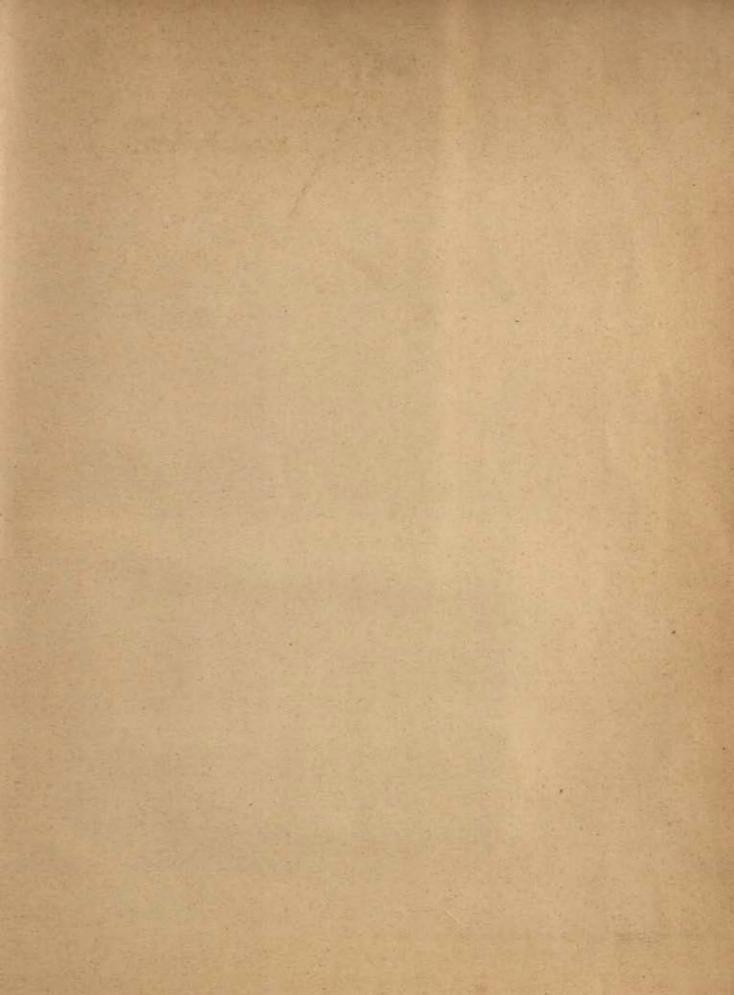
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